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Reference	IOR/L/PS/12/1451
Title	Coll 1/13 'Resident and Chief Commissioner: Salutes and Table of Precedence'
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The file contains correspondence between the Aden Resident (later Chief Commissioner, then Governor), the Government of India Foreign and Political Department, the Admiralty, and the India Office Political Department, regarding:

- the position of the Resident (and later Governor) of Aden in the Table of Precedence, and the number of gun salutes merited;
- the transfer of Aden to the Colonial Office, and the re-grading of its Naval, Military and Air Force Officers, plus raising the salute for the Governor and Commander-in-Chief to 17 guns;
- the entitlement of the Resident Advisor at Mukalla to a gun salute;
- the 1937 Treaty with the Sultan of Shihr and Mukalla [Shaikh Ṣāliḥ bin Ghālib Al Qu'ayṭī], and the number of salutes due to him;
- the grant in 1940 of a salute of nine guns to the Kathiri Sultan of Seiyun;
- the 1947 extension of the salute "His Highness" to all rulers in the Aden Protectorate, their lawful wives and widows, with salutes of nine guns.

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Salutes & Table of Precedence.

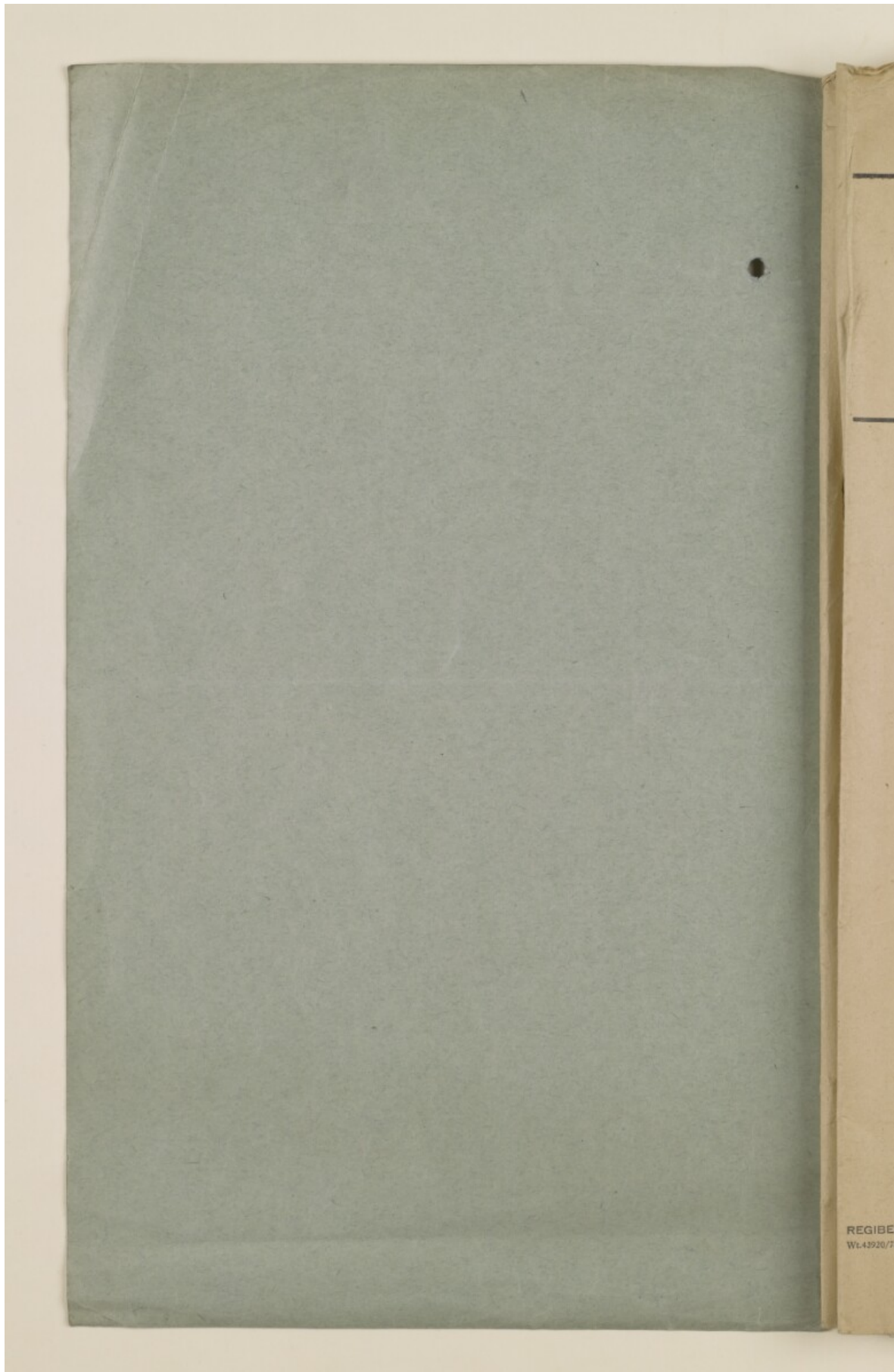
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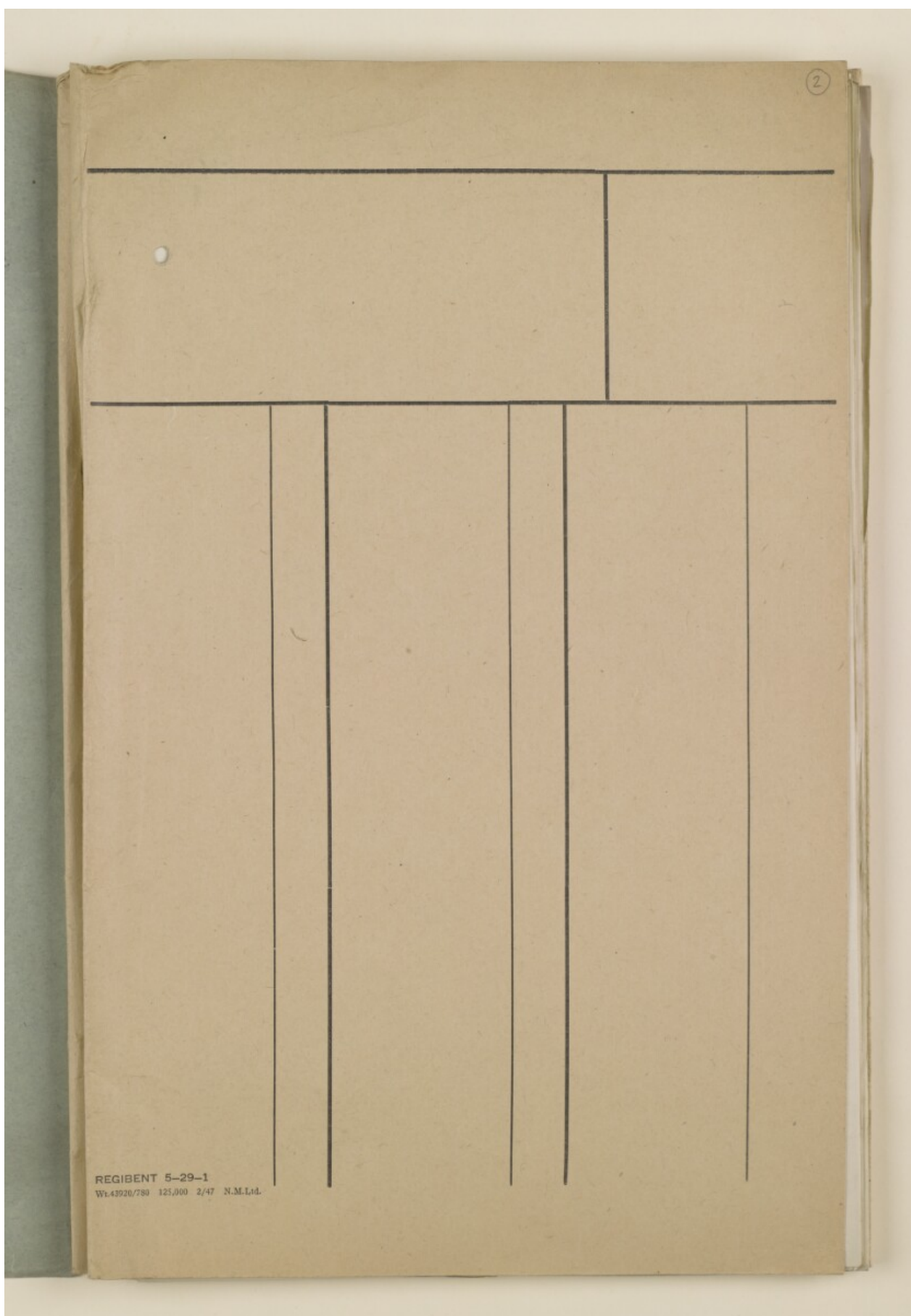
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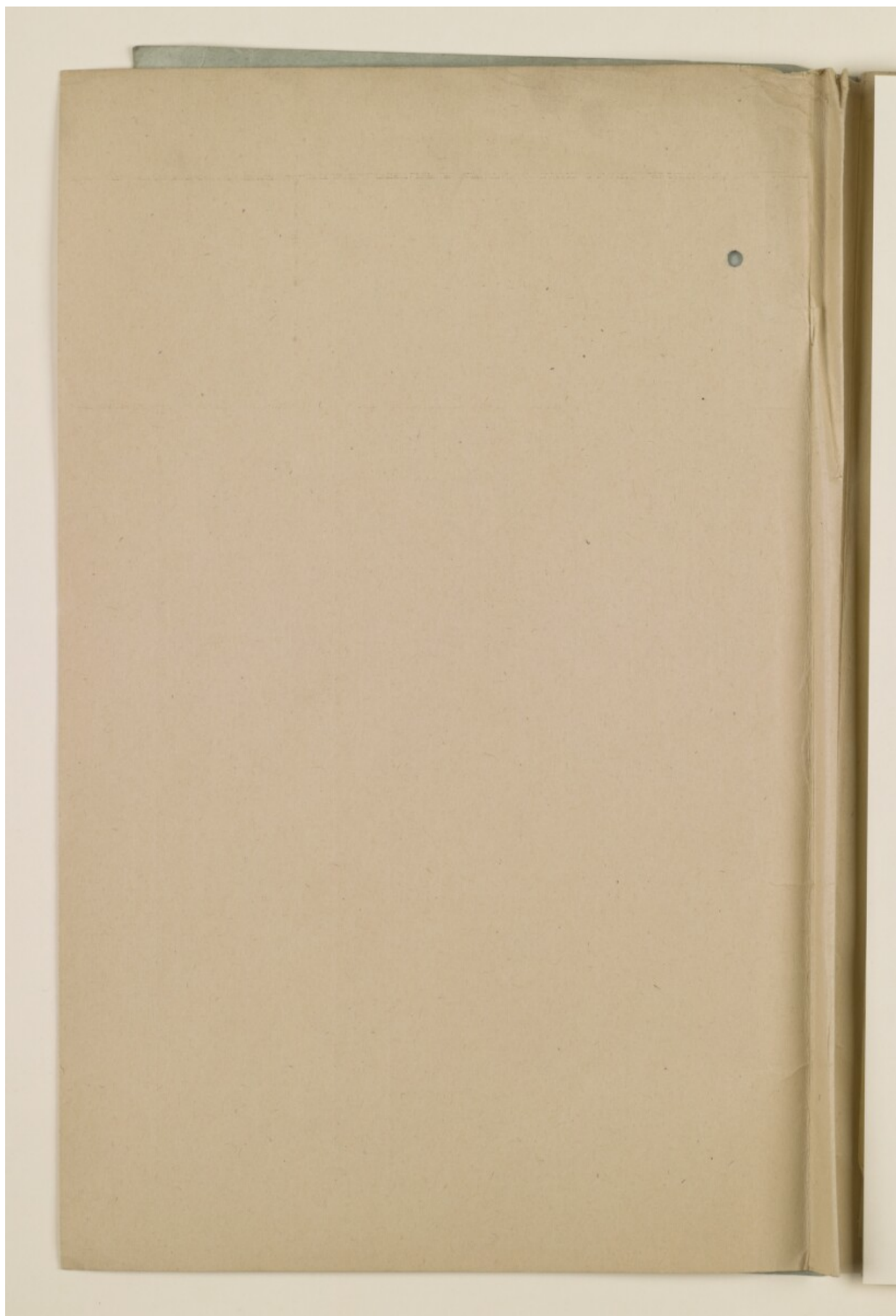
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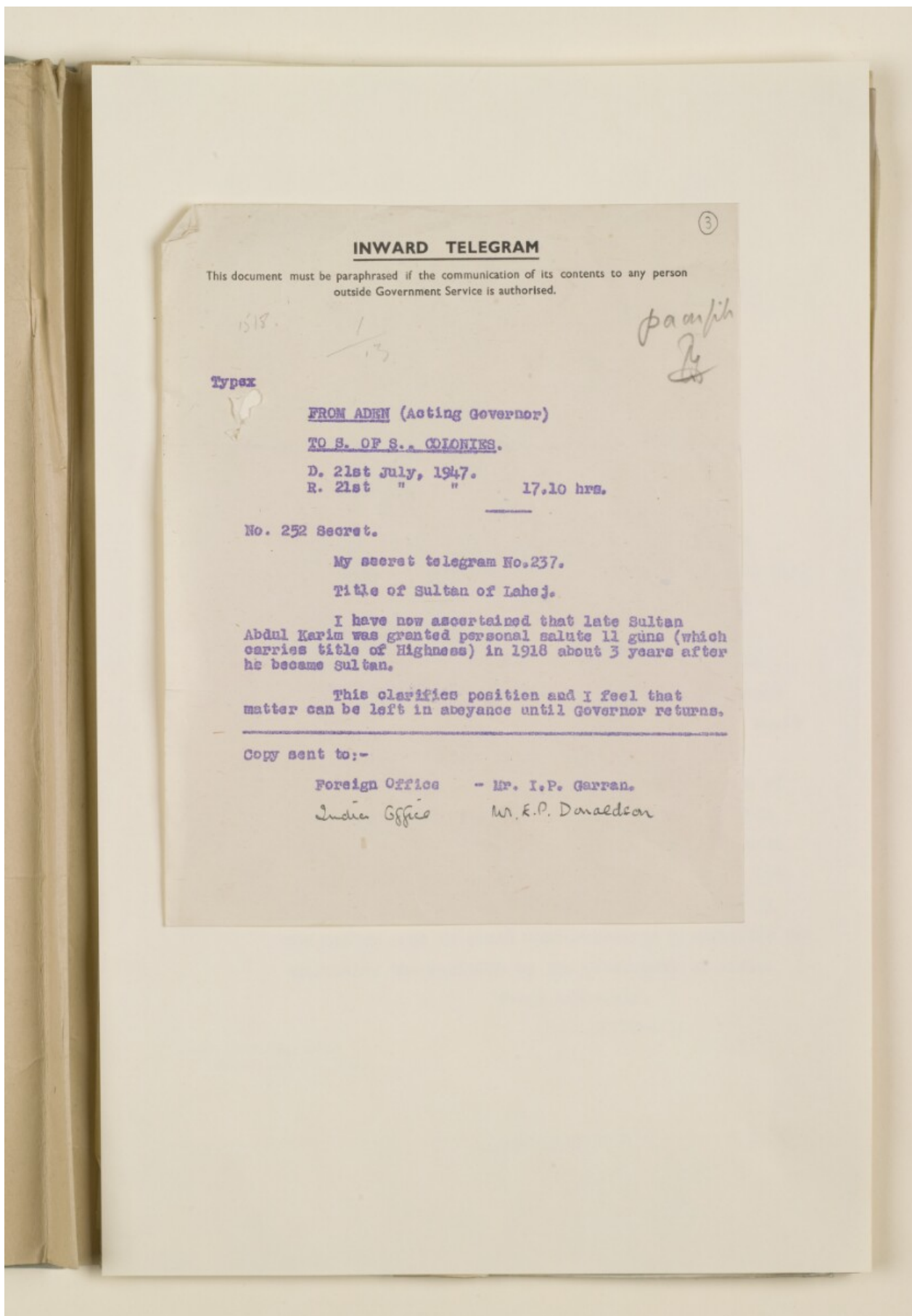
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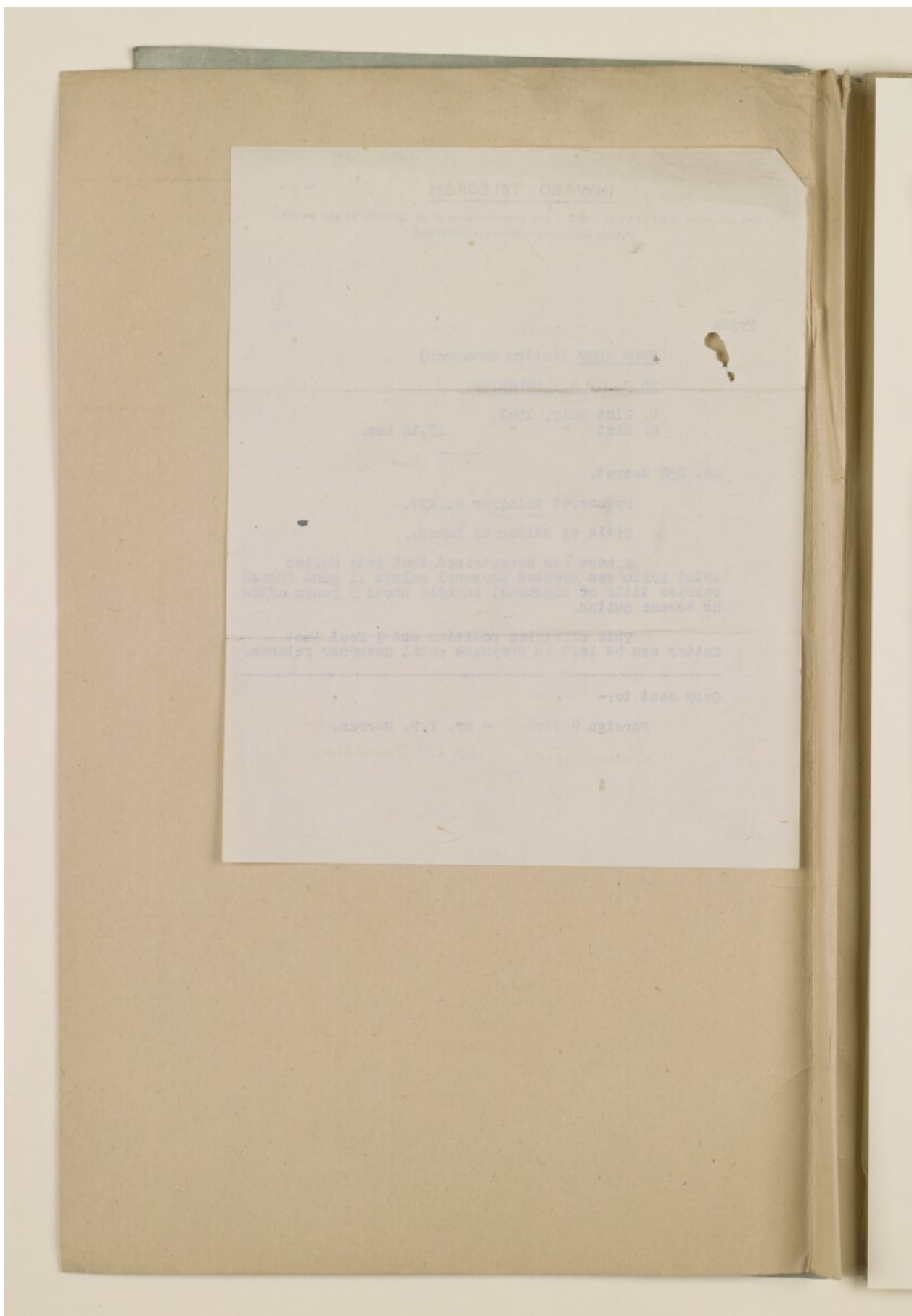
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Mr. Donaldson.

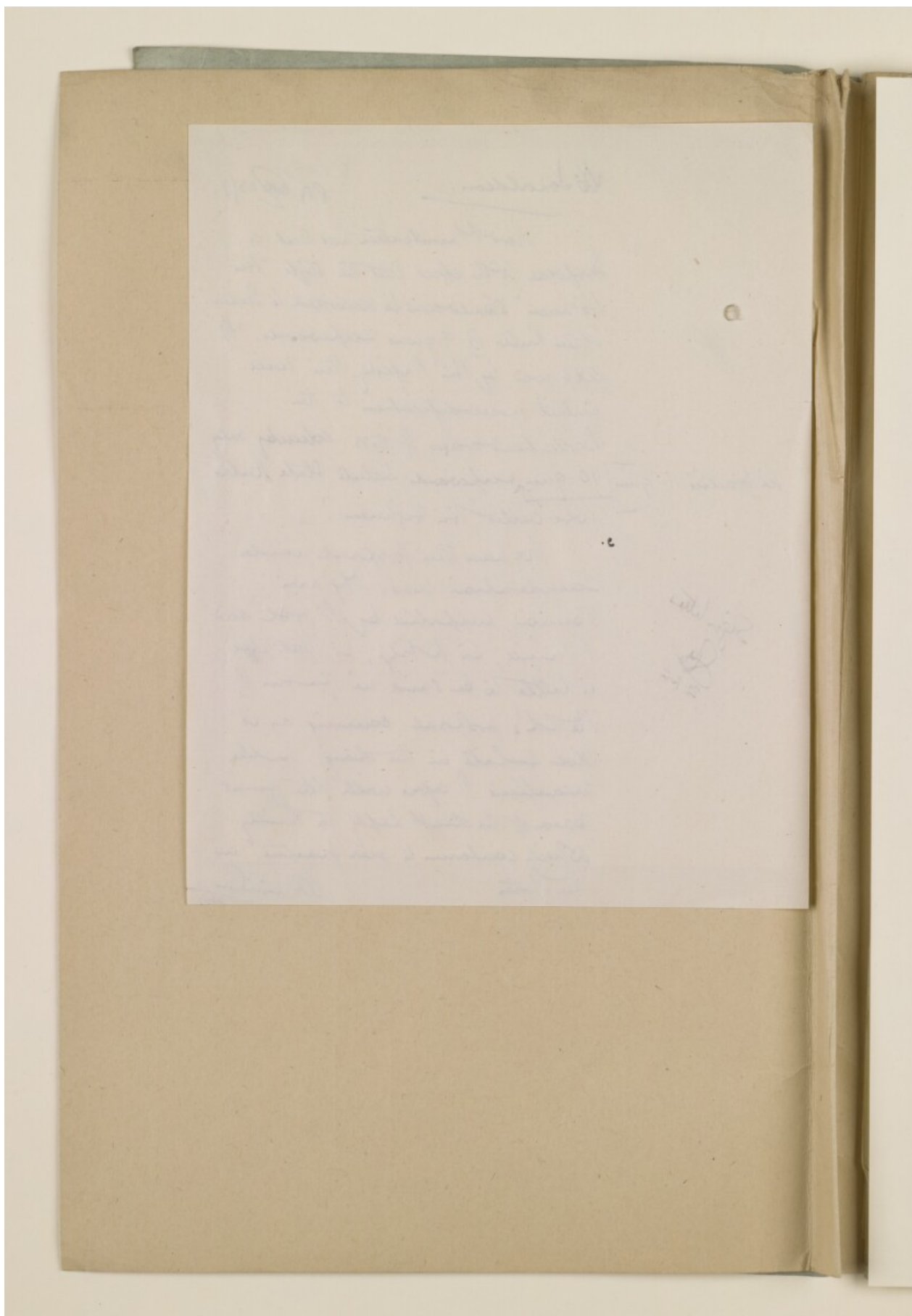
H. Reed
PA. 23/7. (4)

Lt. M. Muntbatten has sent a
proposal to the effect that the style "His
Highness" should now be accorded to Indian
State Rulers of 9 guns upwards. If
approved by His Majesty, this will
entail a modification to the
Birkenhead orders of 1915 whereby only
in practice 11. guns 10. guns upwards salute State Rulers
were called "His Highness".

Sign letter
J. S.
22/7

We have this proposal under
consideration now. My own
opinion, supported by Mr. H. S. and
I think, Sir K. F. J., is that there
is little to be said in favour of
the Lt's proposal coming as it
does so late in the day. In the
meantime I agree with the final
form of the draft reply to Reilly
which conforms to our practice in
the States

W. H. S. 22/7





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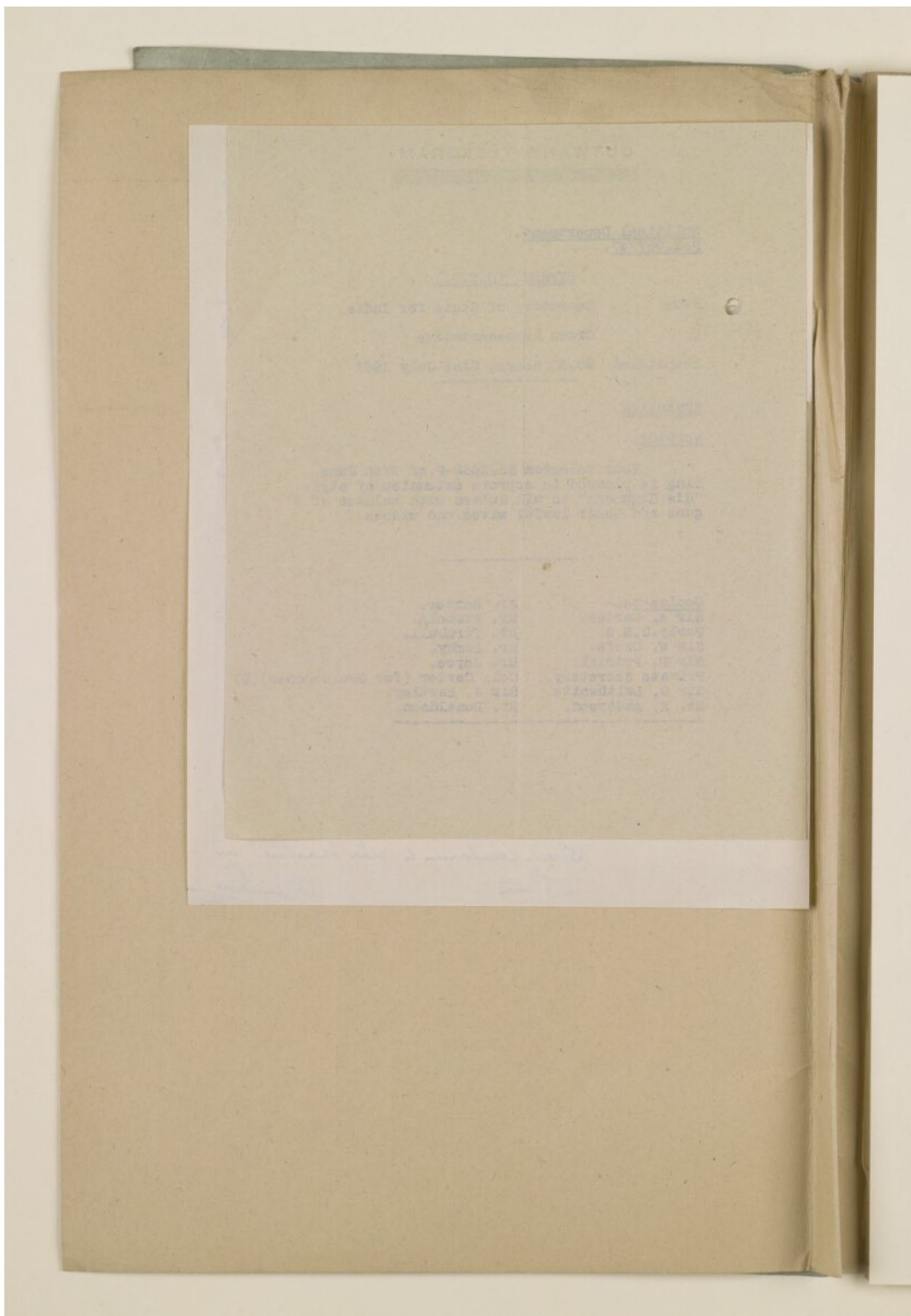
From Secretary of State for India
To Crown Representative
Despatched 20.30 hours, 21st July 1947

IMMEDIATE

No. 9401.

Your telegram No. 1482-P of 17th June.
King is pleased to approve extension of style
"His Highness" to all Rulers with salutes of 9
guns and their lawful wives and widows.

Copies to:-	Mr. Baxter.
Sir A. Carter.	Mr. Rumbold.
Parly. U.S.S.	Mr. Turnbull.
Sir W. Croft.	Mr. Lumby.
Sir P. Patrick.	Mr. Joyce.
Private Secretary.	Col. Carter (for Gen. Secones)(2)
Sir G. Laithwaite.	Sir J. Bartley.
Mr. K. Anderson.	Mr. Donaldson.





Fair Copy.

India Office,
Whitehall,
London, E.C.4.

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Ref. 1914/47

22nd July, 1947.

My dear Reilly,

Thank you for your letter (7014/47) of 16th July, 1947 about the gun salute to be accorded to the Sultan of Lohaj in the Aden Protectorate.

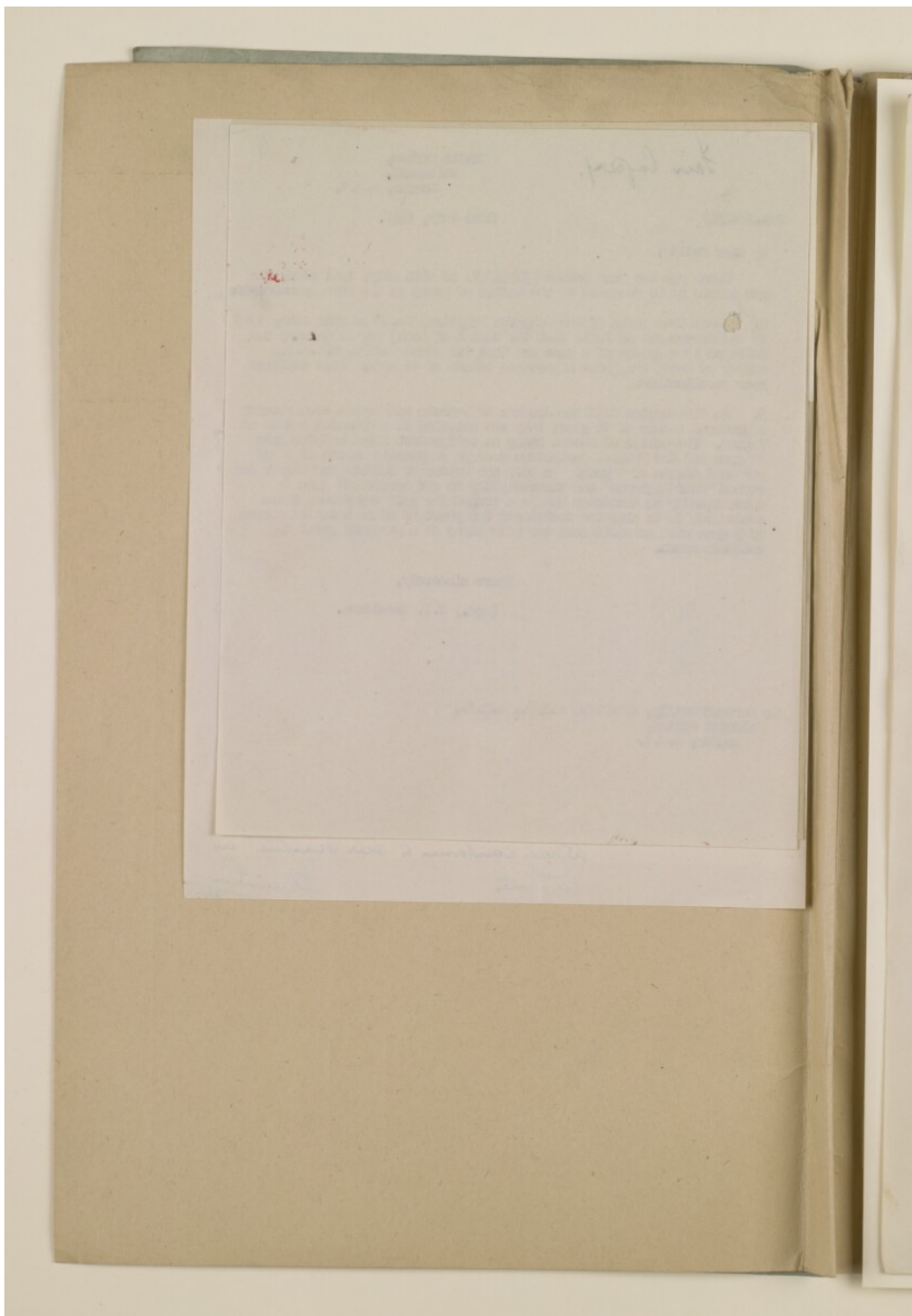
2. I see from India Office Despatch Political No. 59 of 25th June, 1945 to the Government of India that the Sultan of Lohaj (or Ali Bektaj) was entitled to a salute of 9 guns and that Sir Alfred Peckham, K.C.M.G., Sultan of Lohaj was given a personal salute of 11 guns. This confirms your recollection.

3. In the Persian Gulf the Sheikhs of Bahrain and Kuwait each receive a personal salute of 11 guns; they are entitled to a descriptive salute of 7 guns. The Sultan of Muscat being an Independent Foreign Ruler gets 21 guns and the British Resident receives a descriptive salute of 5 and personal salute of 5 guns. As both the Rulers of Bahrain and Kuwait are styled "His Highness" and theoretically do not receive 11 guns automatically on accession but as a reward for good behaviour, there seems much to be said for continuing the practice of an entitled salute of 9 guns with an additional two (for life) as a personal grant in suitable cases.

Yours sincerely,

(Sgd.) R.E. Donaldson.

Sir Bernard Reilly, K.C.M.G., C.B.E., C.B.E.,
Colonial Office,
London, E.C.4.





EXT. 1518/47. (7)

Dear Rilly,

22 JUL 1947
(78546/47)

Thank you for your letter of 16 July 1947
about the gun salute to be accorded to the
Sultan of Lahij in the Aden Protectorate. Political No 59

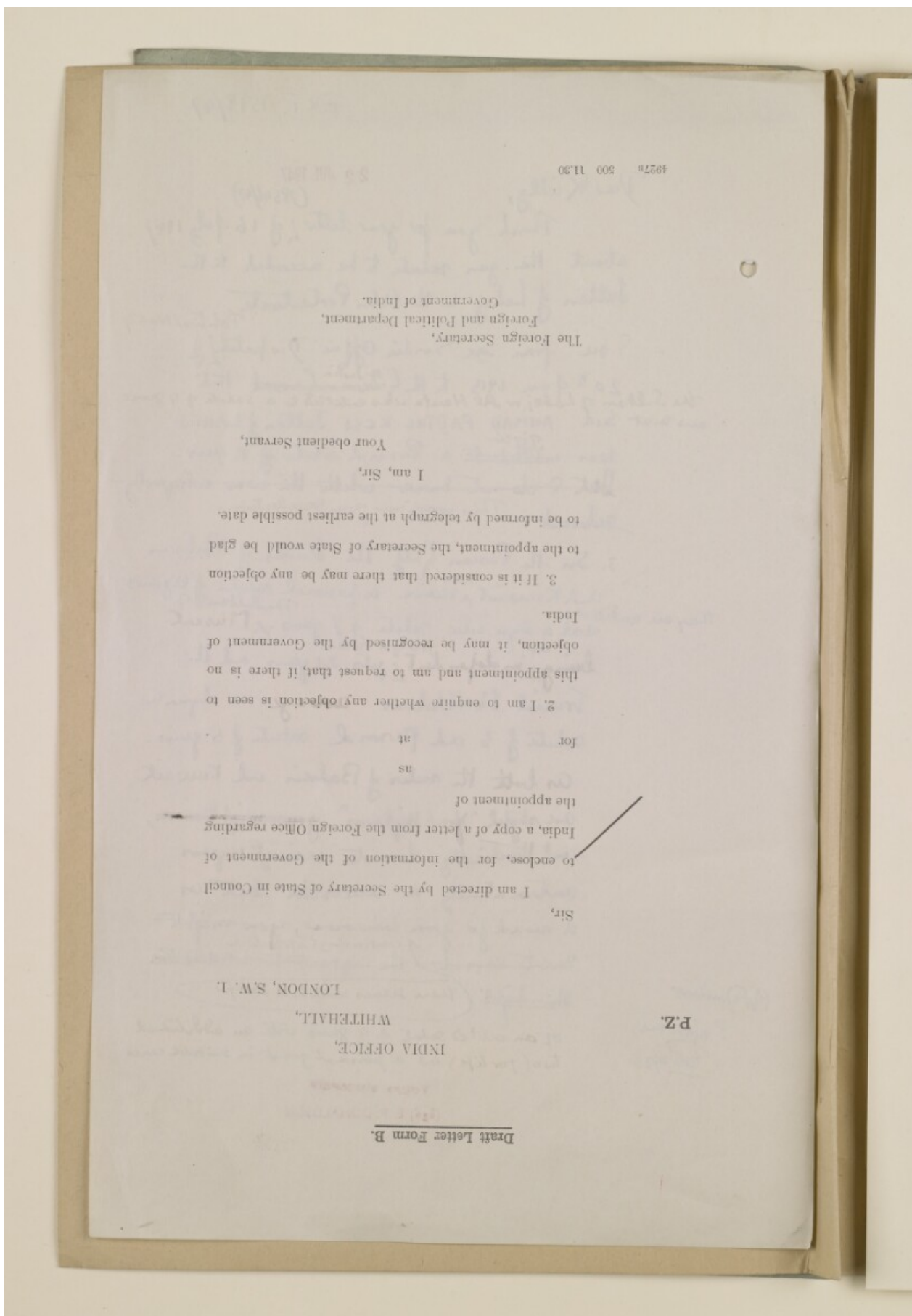
2. I see from ~~the~~ India Office Dispatch of
20th June 1913 to the ~~Govt of India~~ ^{Govt of India} ~~that~~
the Sultan of Lahij (or Al Harita) was entitled to a salute of 9 guns
and that Sir AHMAD FADHL KESI Sultan of LAHEJ
was ~~entitled to~~ ^{given} a Personal Salute of 11 guns.
~~But I do not know whether this was subsequently~~
~~reduced.~~ This confirms your recollection.

3. In the Persian Gulf the Sheikhs of Bahrain
and Kuwait ^{each} receive a personal salute of 11 guns;
they are entitled to ~~and~~ a dynastic salute of 7 guns. Muscat
being an ^{foreign ruler} ~~independent~~ gets 21 guns and the
Trucial Sheikhdoms average a dynastic
salute of 3 and Personal salute of 5 guns.
As both the rulers of Bahrain and Kuwait
are styled "Your Highness" you might ~~say~~,
and theoretically do not receive 11 guns
automatically on accession but as
a reward for good behaviour, you might
~~case to consider~~ ^{continue to practice} the grant to LAHEJ ~~for~~
~~this light~~ ^{there seems much to be said for}
of an entitled salute of 9 guns with an additional
two (for life) as a personal grant in suitable cases.

Yours sincerely

(Sgd) E. P. DONALDSON

Mr Donaldson
? signed
24/7/47

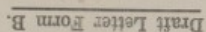




Mr Harrison. Please refer to PZ. 6738. (8)

1. We accord 11 gun personal salutes to the Sheikhs of Bahrain and Kuwait. At the time of the accession of the last Sheikh of Bahrain it was stated that the grant of this salute should not be taken to mean that it was automatically given to each successive Sheikh - age and good service before accession being important considerations.
2. The distinction of 9 + 2 ^{and} 11 does not seem very vital to us but if you like I will ask the library to find out the historical backgrounds of the grant of salute to the Sheikhs: the ¹⁸⁷¹ ~~1872~~ Protectorate. *W.H.*

W.H. Harrison
W.H. Harrison



P.Z.

Sir,

I am directed by the Secretary of State in Council to enclose, for the information of the Government of

from the Foreign Office regarding

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whether any objection is seen to

am to request that, if there is no

recognised by the Government of

and that there may be any objection

Secretary of State would be glad

graph at the earliest possible date.

I am, Sir,

Yours obedient Servant,

Political Department,
Government of India.

Mr. Hanson.
Our procedure



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1947

Downing Street,
S.W.1.

16 July, 1947.

Mr Reed
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? P. Dept.

Dear Donaldson,

I enclose a copy of a telegram from the Acting Governor of Aden in which he asks for advice regarding the gun salute to be accorded to the Sultan of Lahej in the Aden Protectorate, who has just succeeded his father, the late Sultan Sir Abdul Karim.

Salutes to Chiefs in the Aden Protectorate date from the time when Aden was administered by the Government of Bombay. My recollection (from the early days of my service at Aden) is that the Sultans of Lahej, as such, were entitled to salutes of 9 guns, but that it became a practice with successive Sultans to add a personal salute of 2 guns (for life), which, by bringing the total to 11 guns, brought them onto the level of Princes in India entitled to be termed "His Highness".

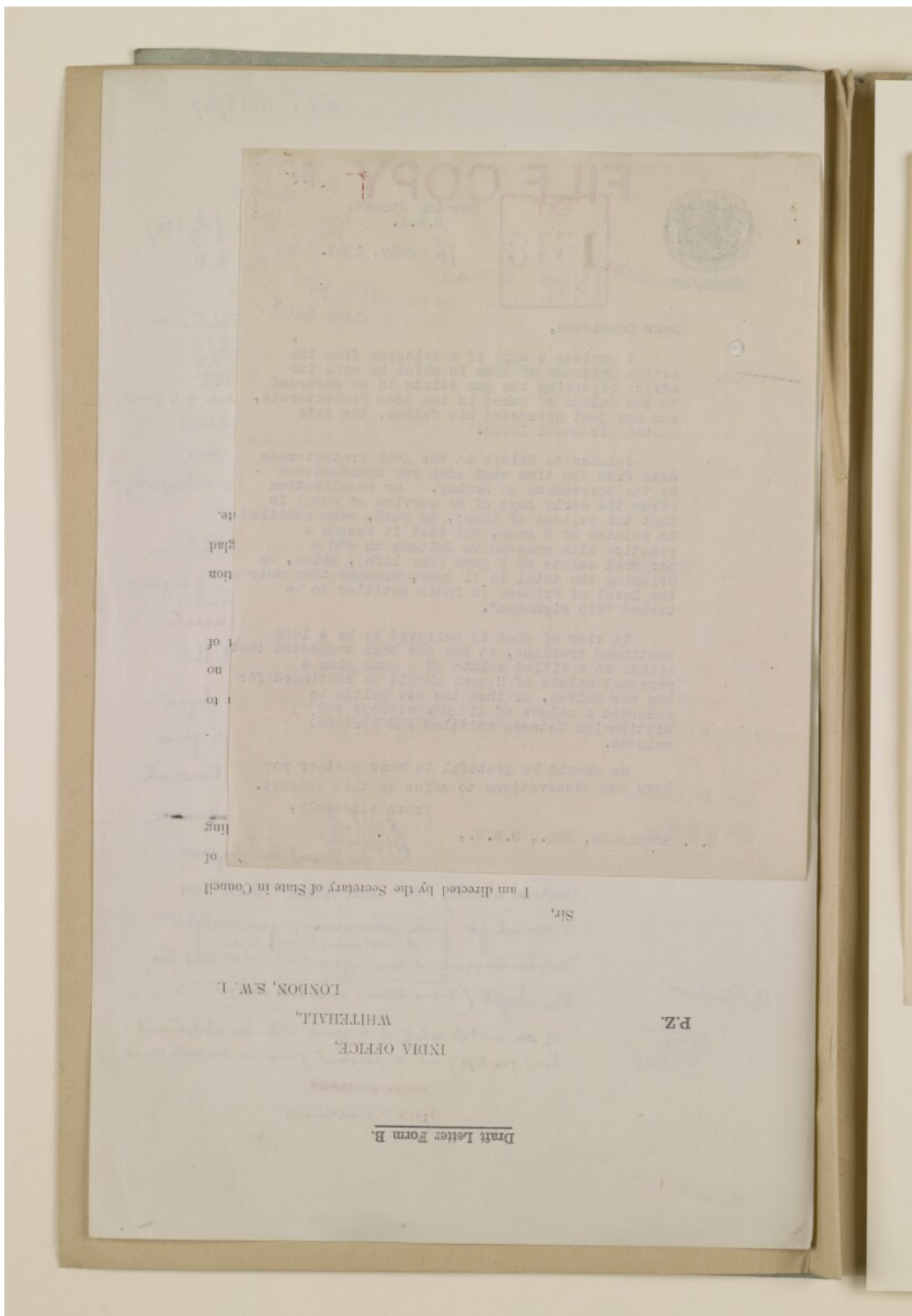
In view of what is believed to be a long continued practice, it has now been suggested that either an entitled salute of 9 guns plus a personal salute of 2 guns should be continued for the new Sultan, or that the new Sultan be accorded a salute of 11 guns without the distinction between entitled and personal salutes.

We should be grateful to know whether you have any observations to offer on this subject.

Yours sincerely,

E.P. DONALDSON, ESQ., C.M.G.,

B. Reilly
(Sir Bernard Reilly).





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INWARD TELEGRAM

This document must be paraphrased if the communication of its contents to any person outside Government Service is authorized.

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FROM ADEN (O.A.G.)

TO S. OF S. COLONIES.

D. 7th July, 1947.

R. 7th " " 16.45 hrs.

IMPORTANT

No. 237

My secret telegram No. 225.

Sultan of Lahej.

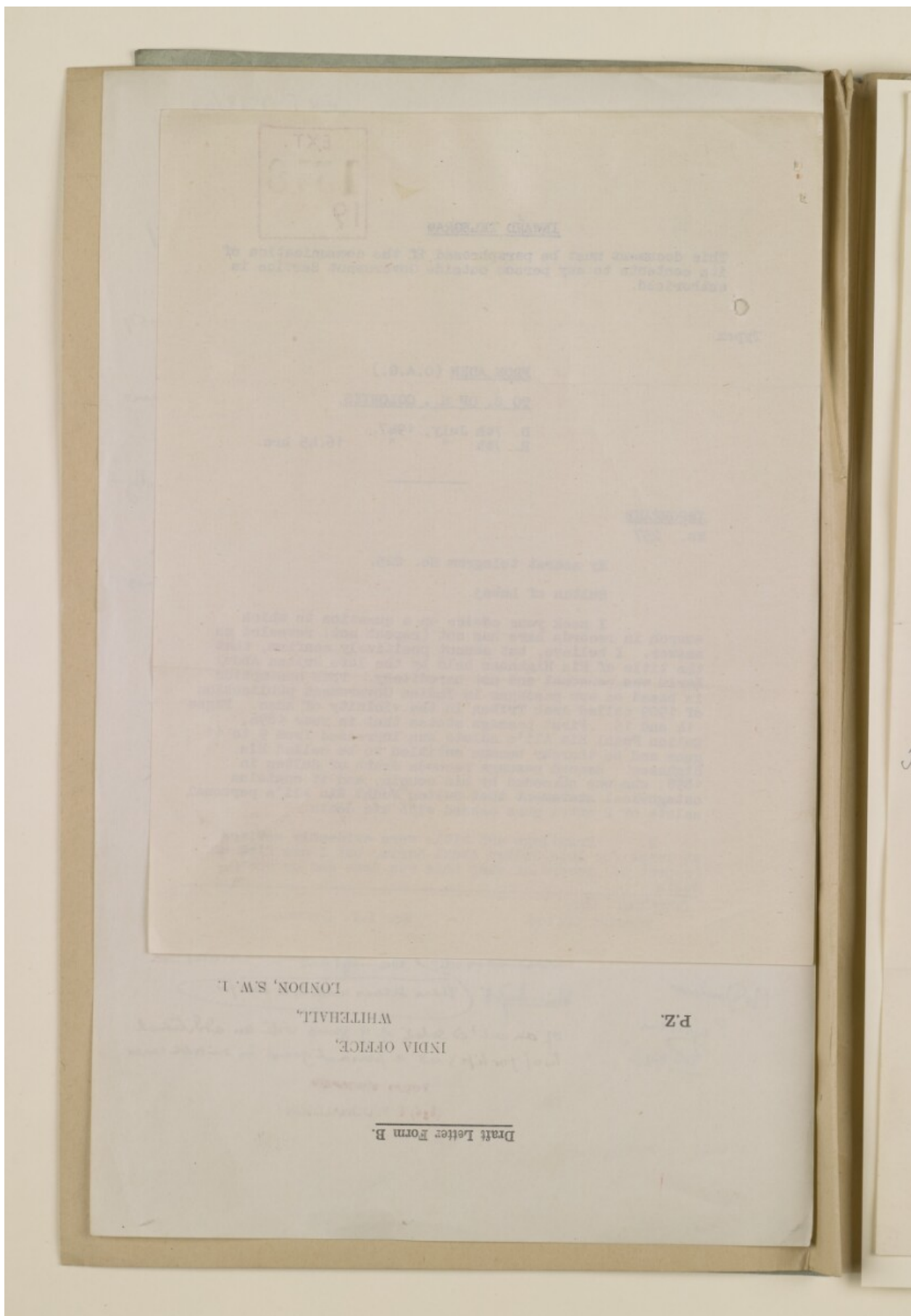
I seek your advice on a question to which search in records here has not (repeat not) revealed an answer. I believe, but cannot positively confirm, that the title of His Highness held by the late Sultan Abdul Karim was personal and not hereditary. This assumption is based on two passages in Indian Government publication of 1909 called Arab Tribes in the vicinity of Aden. Pages 14 and 15. First passage states that in year 1896, Sultan Fadhil Bin Ali's salute was increased from 9 to 11 guns and he thereby became entitled to be called His Highness. Second passage records death of Sultan in 1898, who was succeeded by his cousin, and it contains categorical statement that Sultan Fadhil Bin Ali's personal salute of 2 extra guns ceased with his death.

2. Privilege and title were evidently revived at least for late Sultan Abdul Karim, but I can find no (repeat no) record of when this was done and on what basis.

Copy sent to:-

Foreign Office

- Mr. I.P. Gerran.





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Letter from the Colonial Office of the *26th of October 1939*

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The Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies presents his compliments to the Under-Secretary of State for India and, by direction of the Secretary of State, transmits herewith a copy of the paper specified below.

COLONIAL OFFICE,
DOWNING STREET, S.W.1.
23 February 1940.

Description of Enclosure.

Name and Date.	Subject.
To the Governor, Aden, Despatch No. 4. <i>19th. February, 1940.</i>	Grant of a salute of nine guns to the Kathiri Sultan of Seiyun.

ENCLOSURE IN WEEKLY LETTER
NO. - 9 28 FEB 1940
FROM SECRETARY, POLITICAL AND
SECRET DEPT. INDIA OFFICE

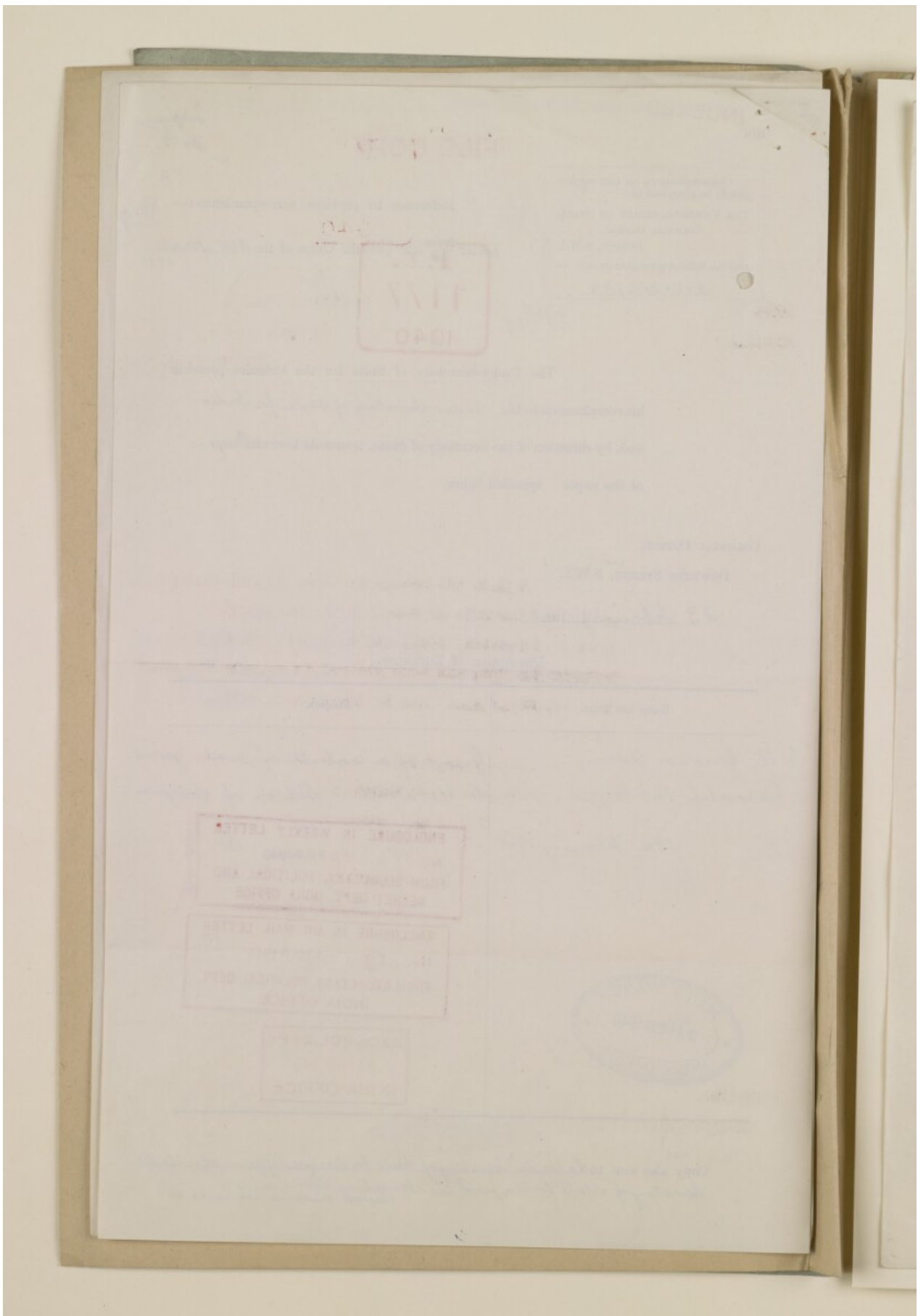
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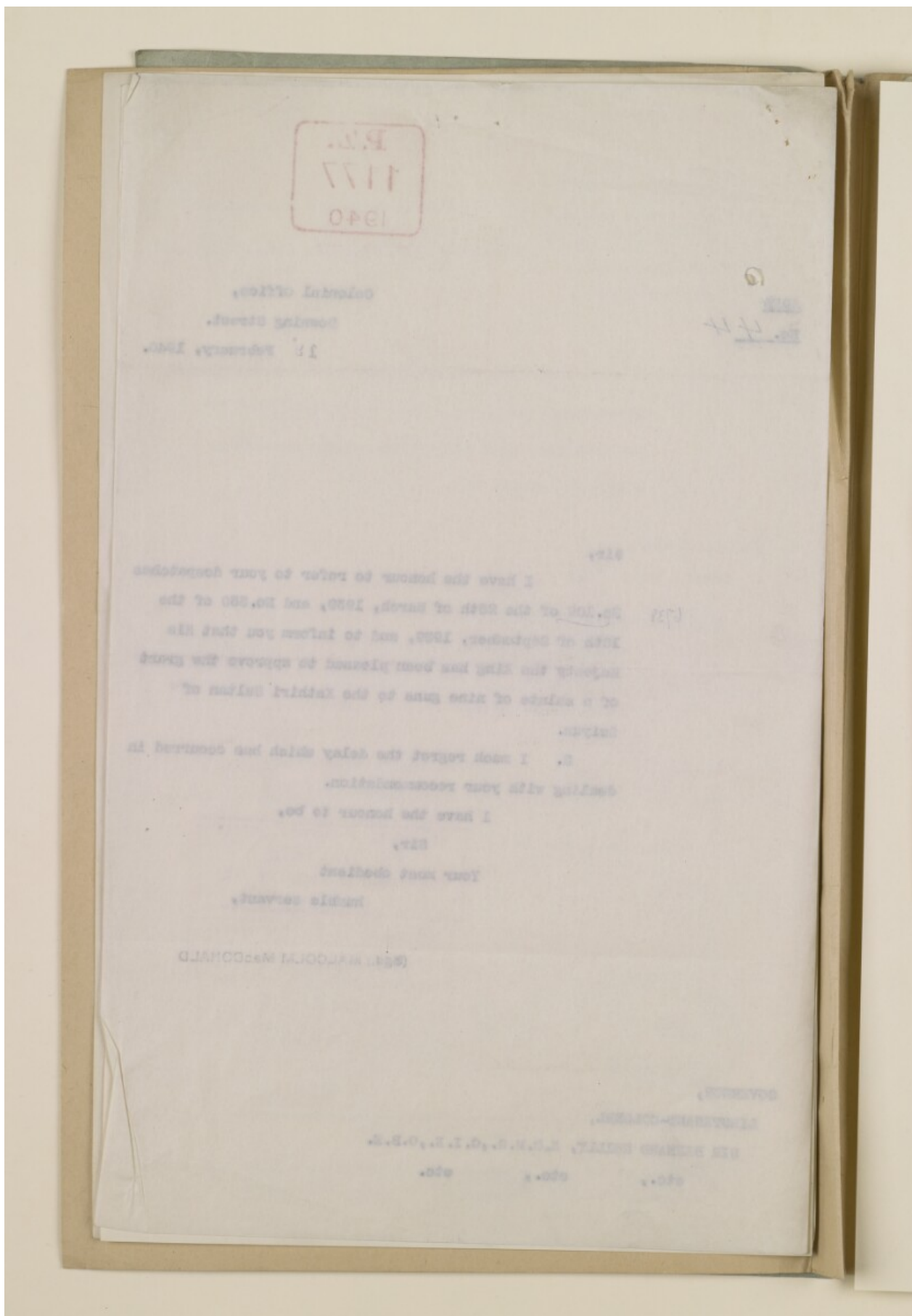
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24 FEB 1940
INDIA OFFICE

MAILS BRANCH
24 FEB 1940
INDIA OFFICE

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Subject: *Gun salute for the Kattiri Sultan of Seiyun.*

9.0 (13)
M.G.
10/10

6738
1939

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Letter to the Colonial Office of the
from *28 Nov 1939*

Transmitted by direction of the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

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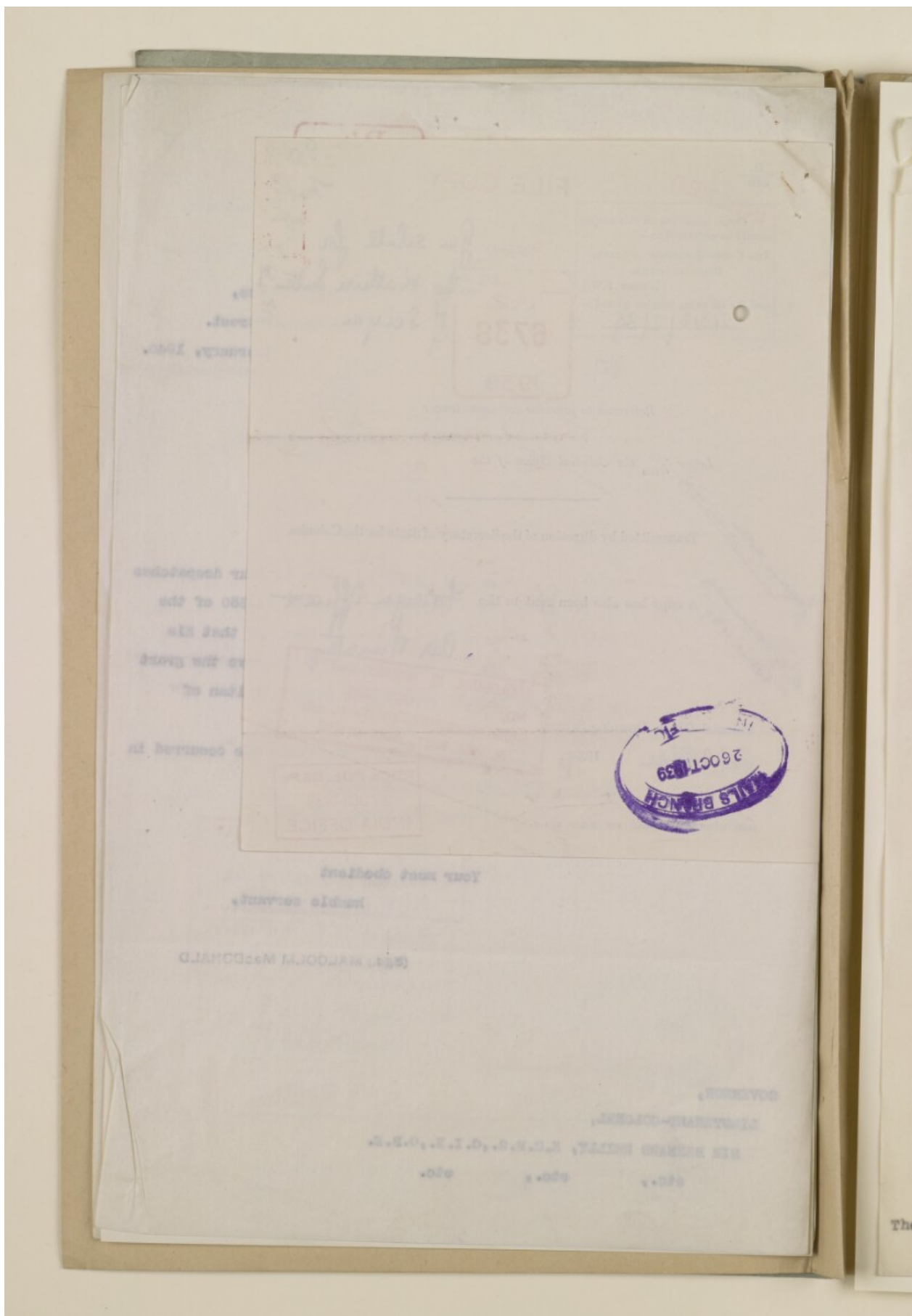
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c.o. & admin. 28 Oct. 1939

Colonial Office, Downing Street,
26 October 1939.

ENCLOSURE IN WEEKLY LETTER
NO. 44 31 OCT 1939
FROM SECRETARY, POLITICAL AND
SECRET DEPT. INDIA OFFICE

REC'D. POL. DEPT.
27 OCT 1939
INDIA OFFICE

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1939

A.D.E.M.

NO. 102.

GOVERNOR'S OFFICE,

28th March, 1939.

Sir,

I have the honour to recommend the grant of a salute of nine guns to the Kathiri Sultan of Saiyun.

2. The following Chiefs in the Aden Protectorate are entitled to gun salutes:-

The Sultan of Lahej	9 guns plus 2 personal
The Sultan of Shihr and Mukalla	9 guns plus 2 personal
The Fadhli Sultan	9 guns
The Sultan of Qishn and Socotra	9 guns
The Amir of Dhala'	9 guns
The Lower Yafa'i Sultan	9 guns (personal)

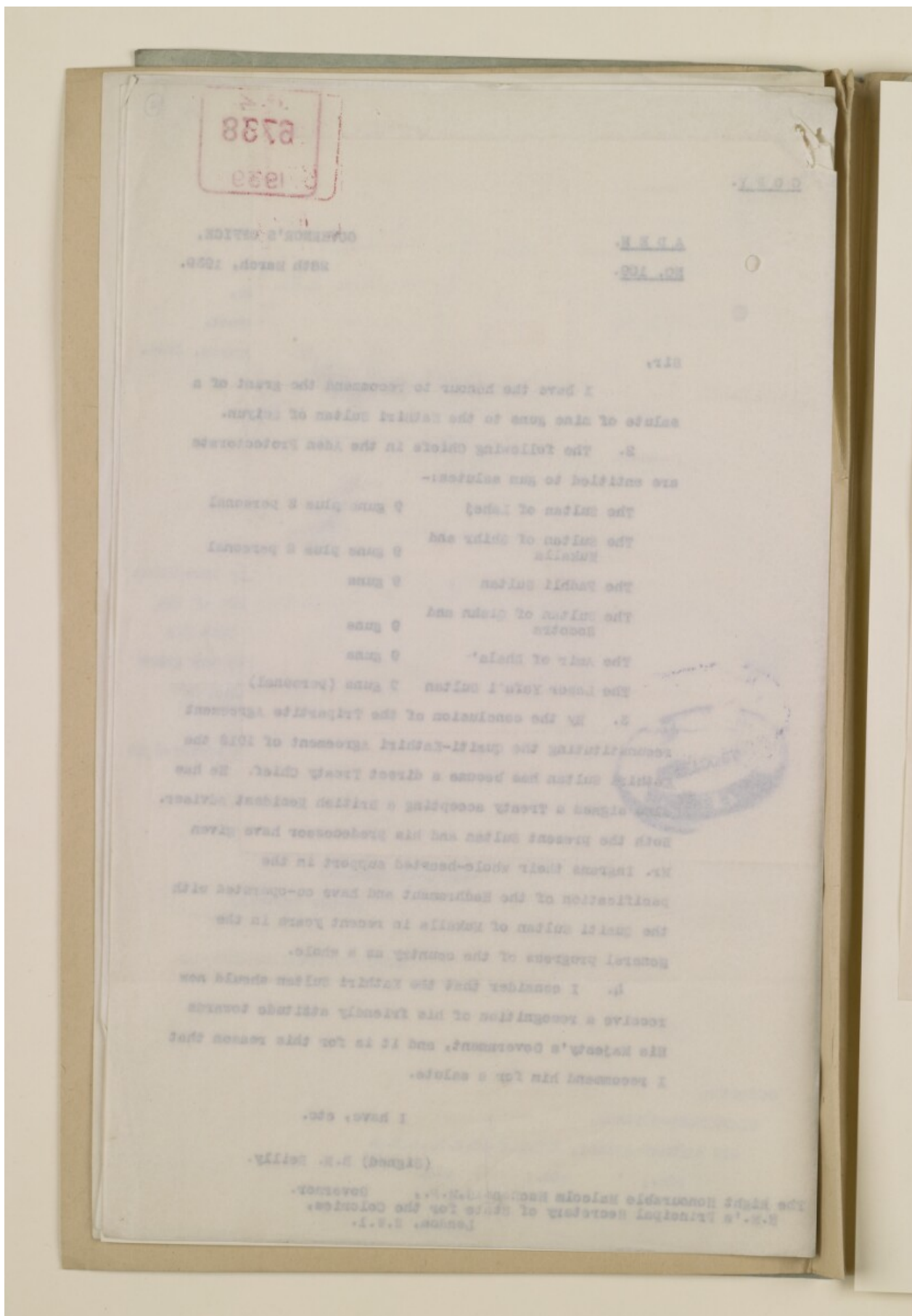
3. By the conclusion of the Tripartite Agreement reconstituting the Quaiti-Kathiri Agreement of 1918 the Kathiri Sultan has become a direct Treaty Chief. He has also signed a Treaty accepting a British Resident Adviser. Both the present Sultan and his predecessor have given Mr. Ingrams their whole-hearted support in the pacification of the Hadhramaut and have co-operated with the Quaiti Sultan of Mukalla in recent years in the general progress of the country as a whole.

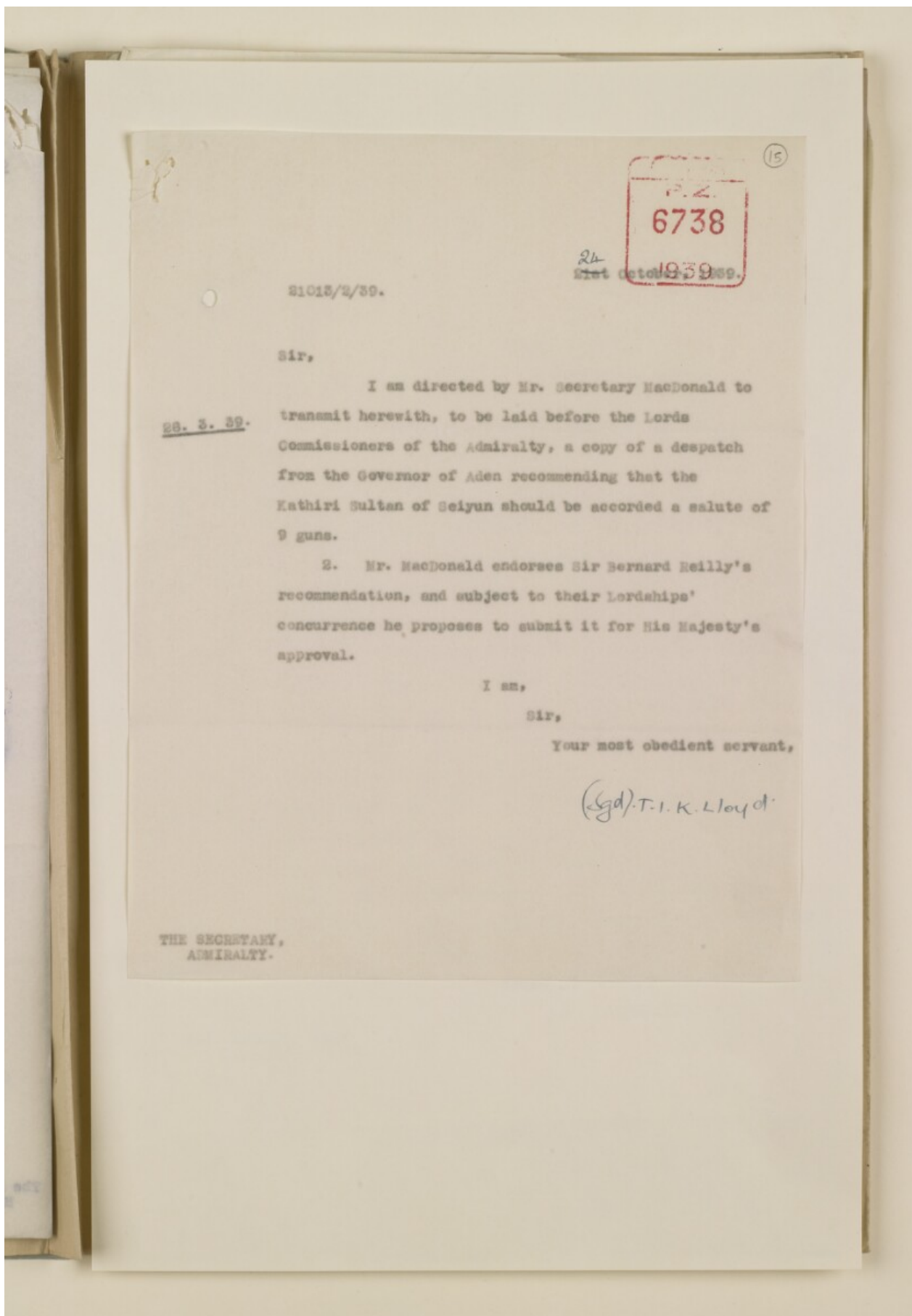
4. I consider that the Kathiri Sultan should now receive a recognition of his friendly attitude towards His Majesty's Government, and it is for this reason that I recommend him for a salute.

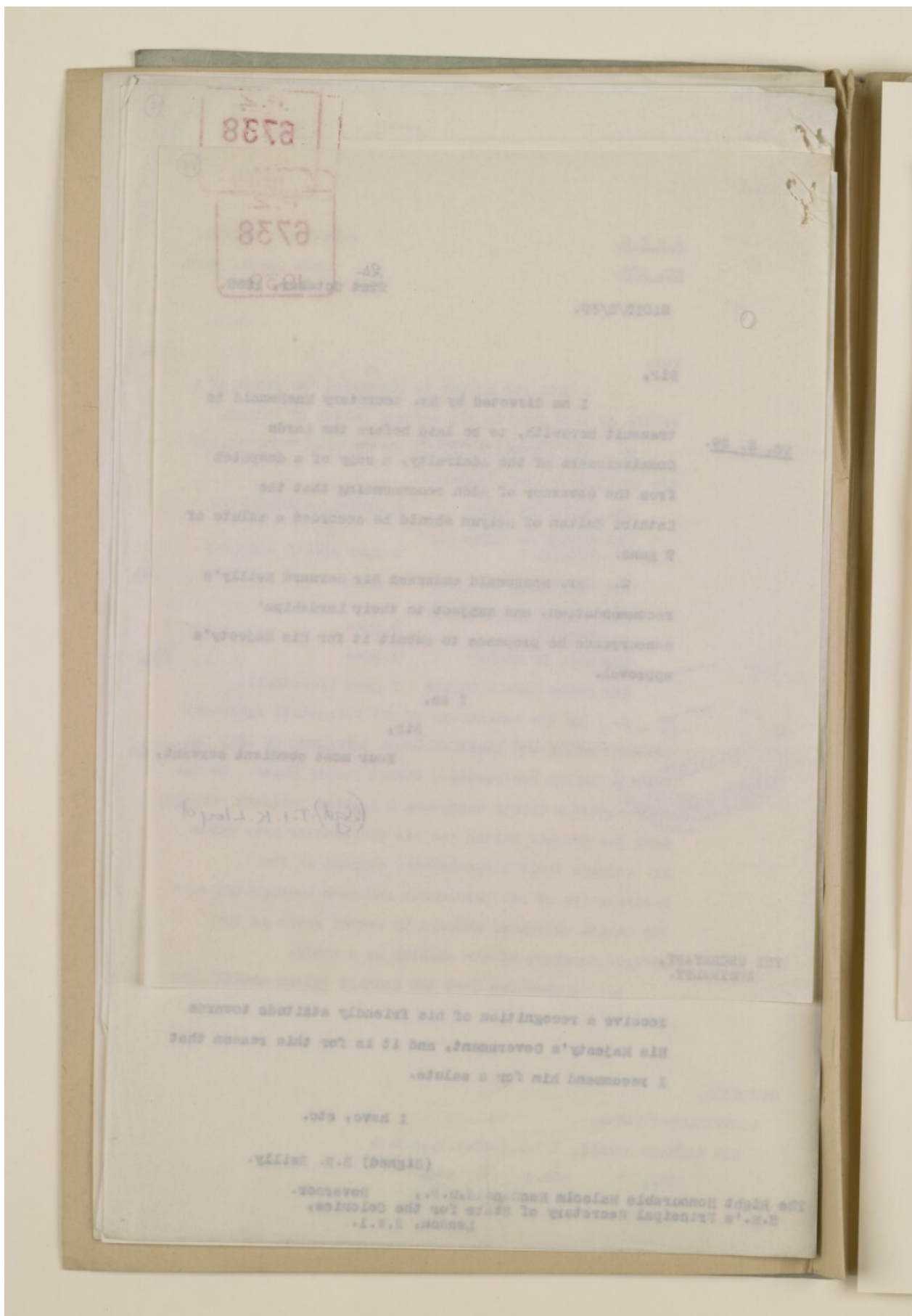
I have, etc.

(Signed) B.R. Reilly.

The Right Honourable Malcolm MacDonald, M.P., Governor.
H.M.'s Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies,
London, S.W.1.

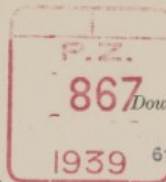








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Downing Street.

6th February, 1939.

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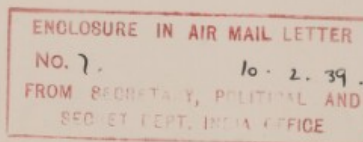
With reference to the letter from the India
Office No.P.Z.7928/38 of the 5th December, 1938, I am
directed by Mr. Secretary MacDonald to request you to
inform the Marquess of Zetland, that His Majesty the King
has been pleased to approve of the Resident Adviser at
Mukalla being accorded a salute of 11 guns.

I am,

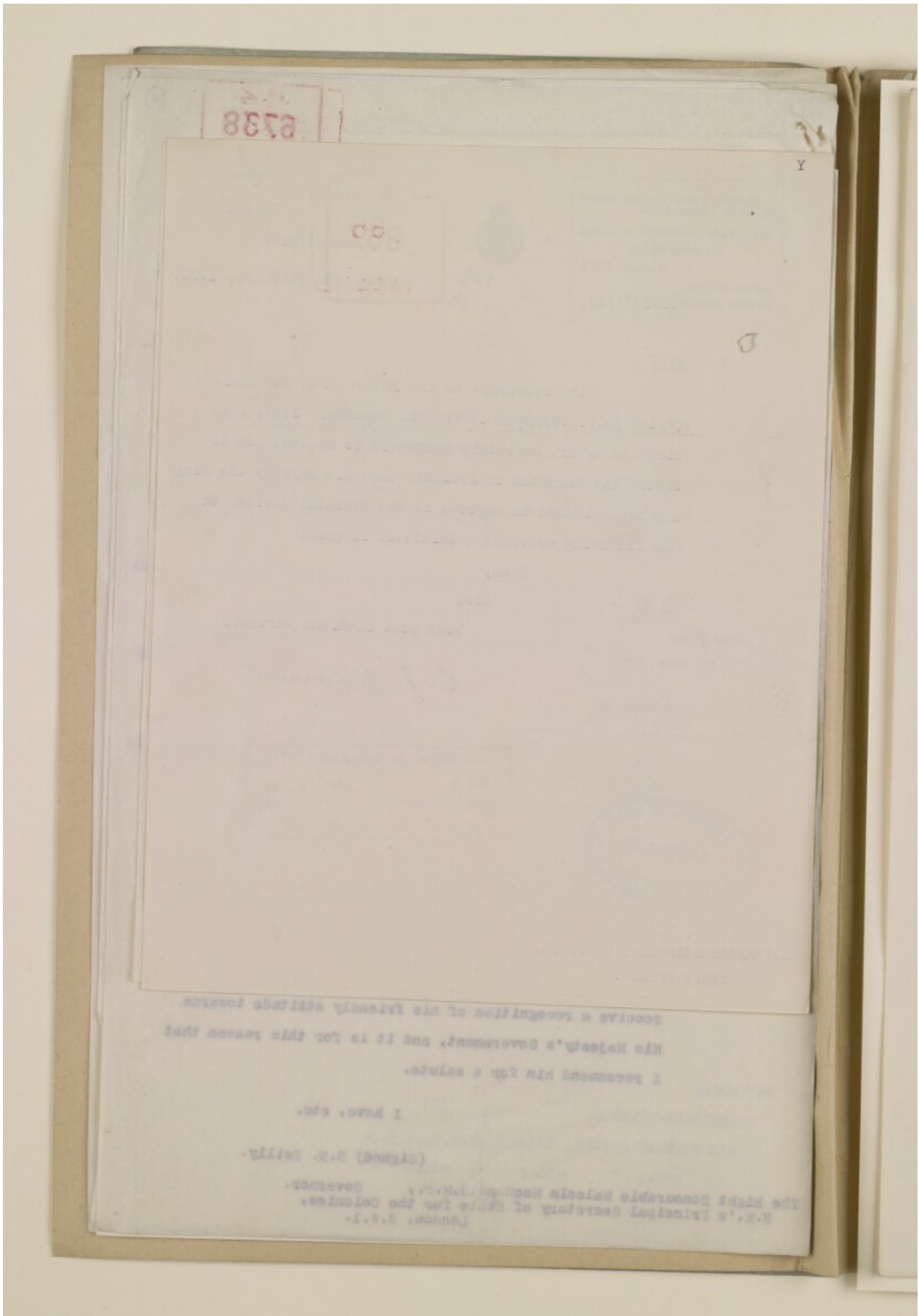
Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

B. J. Jeffries

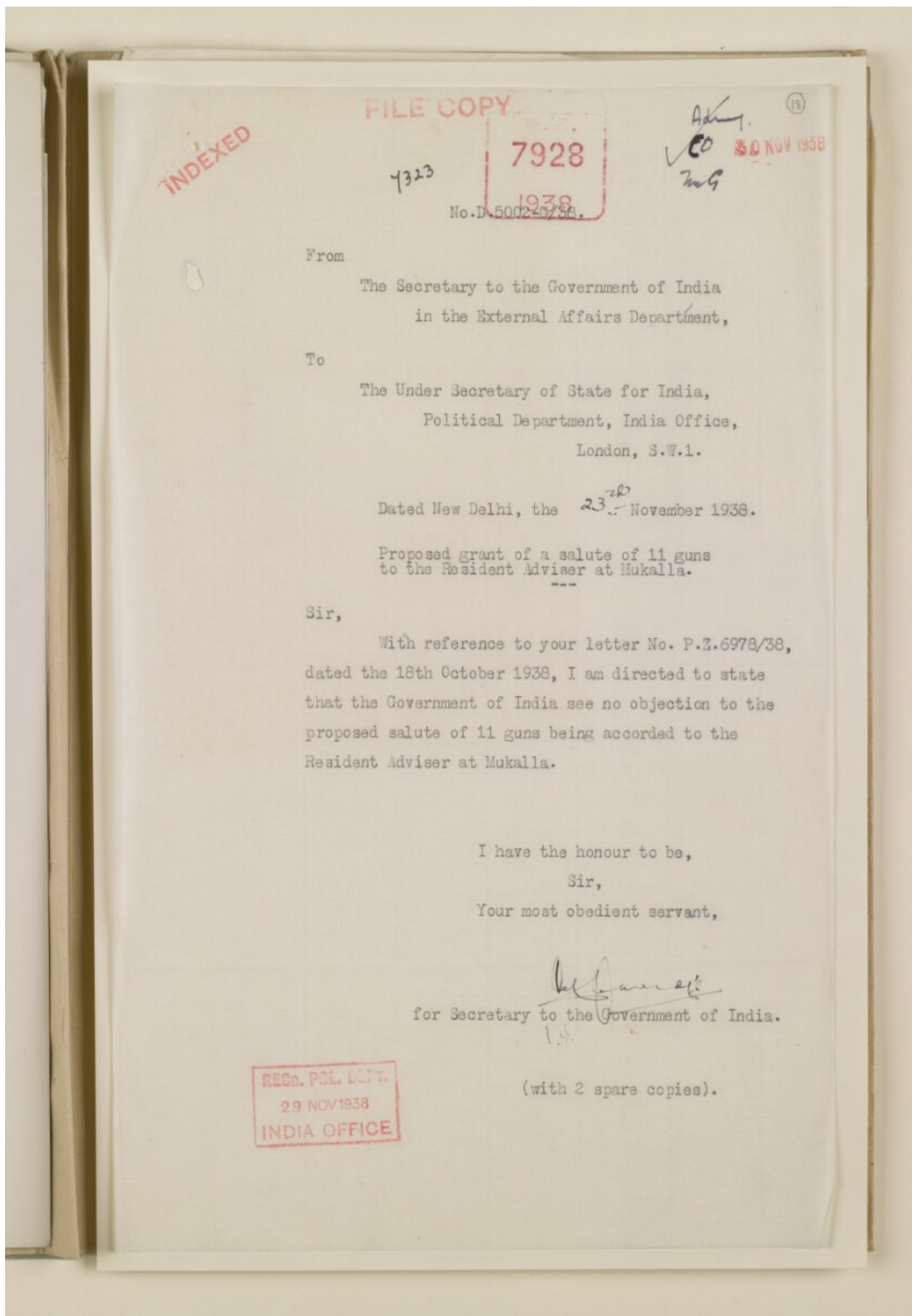


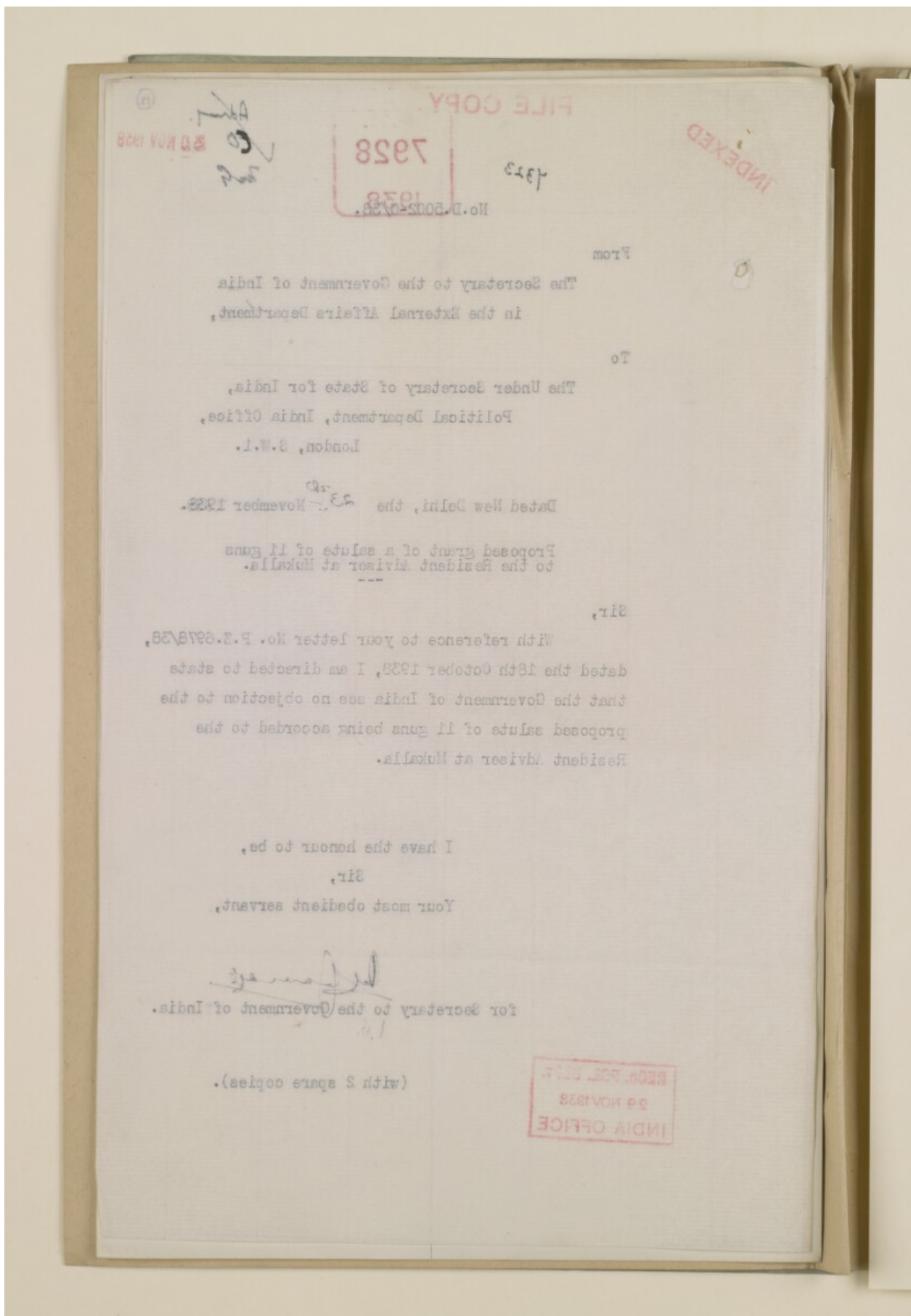
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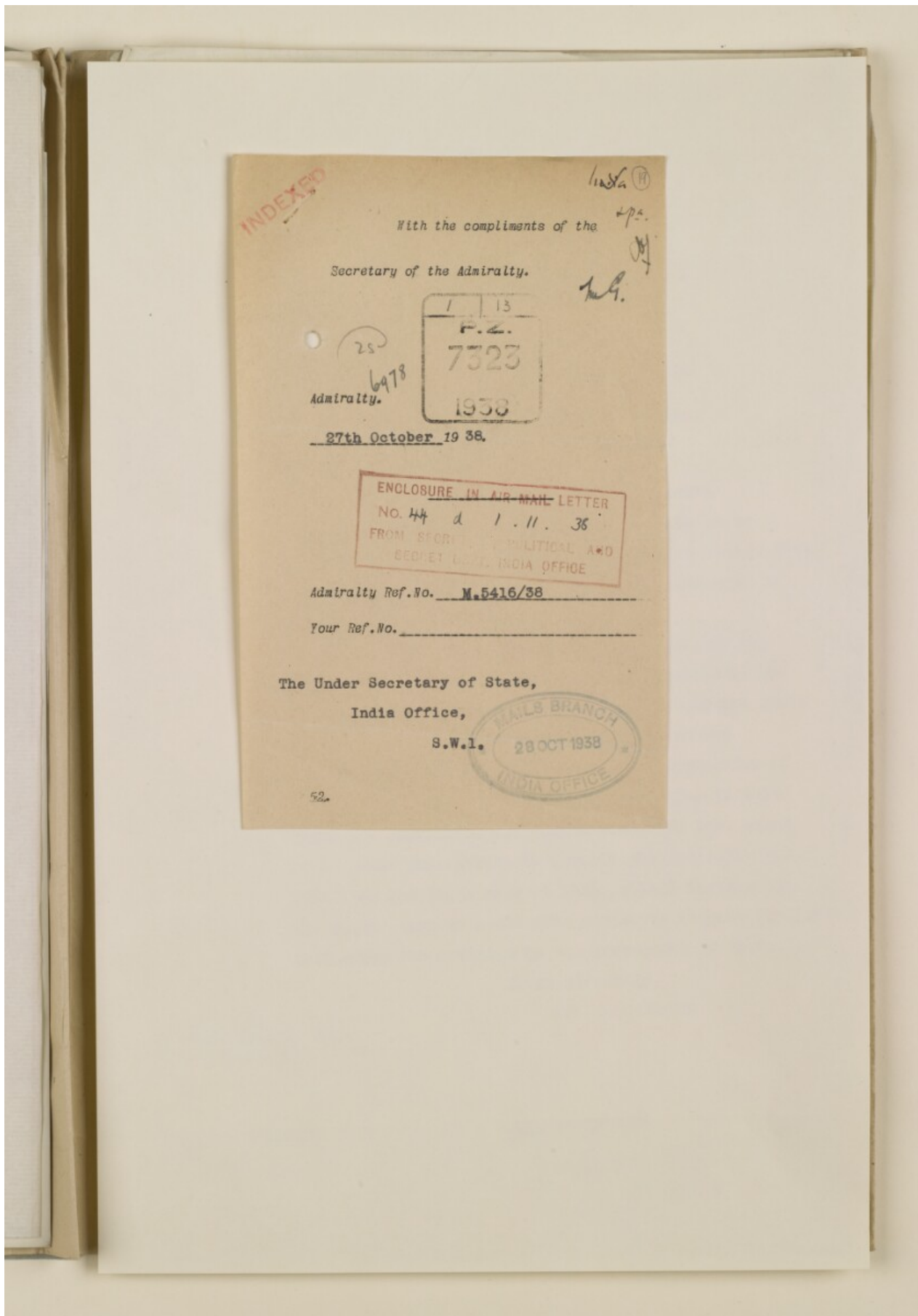


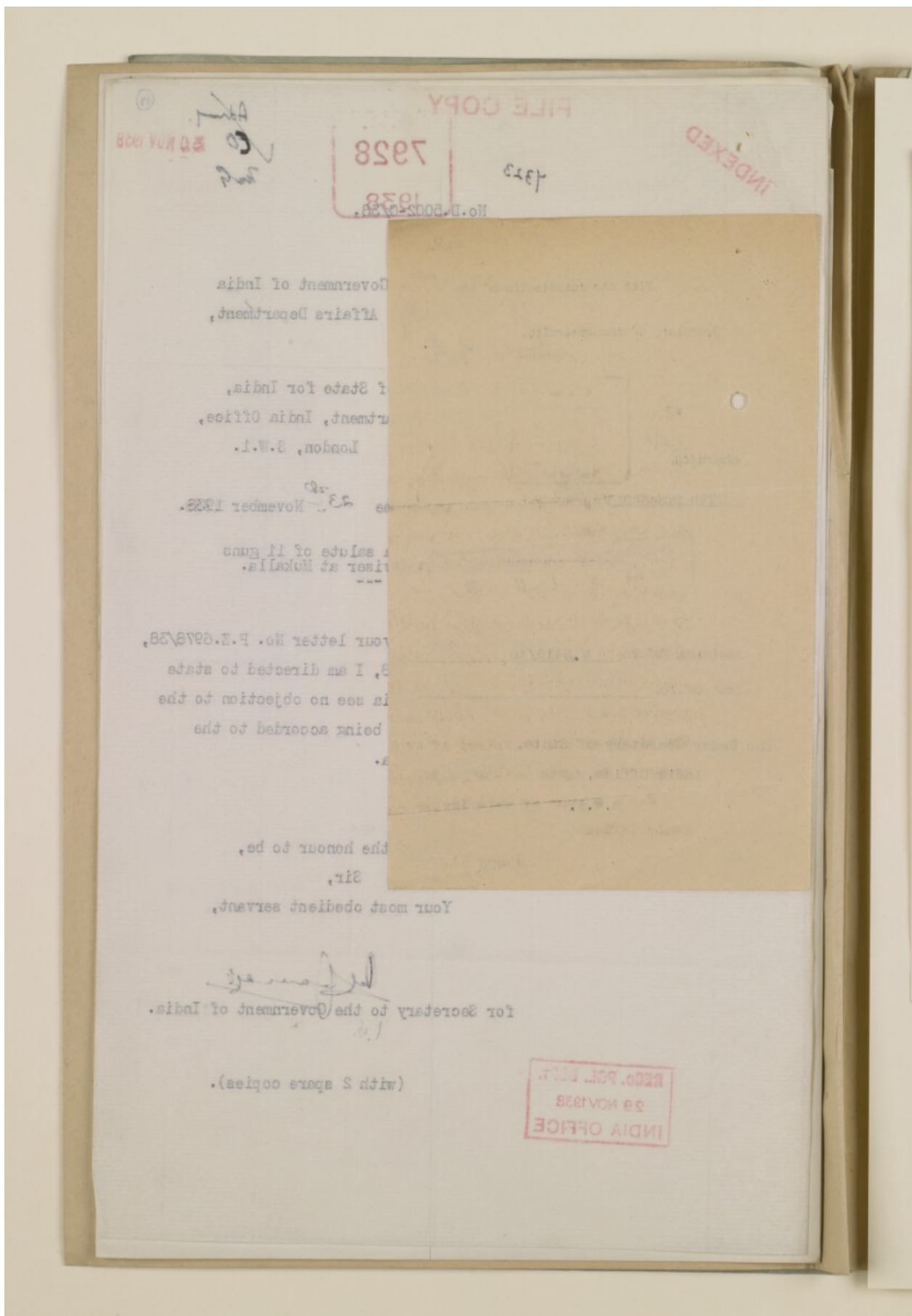
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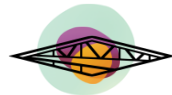












M.5416/38

27th October

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Sir,

With reference to your letter No.21013/1/38 of 10th October 1938, proposing that a salute of 11 guns should be accorded to the Resident Adviser at Mukalla in the Aden Protectorate, I am commanded by My Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty to acquaint you, for the information of the Secretary of State for the Colonies, that whilst in general they consider it undesirable to add to the list of Civilian authorities entitled to receive gun salutes, in view of the representations in paras: 2 and 3 of your letter under reply, and subject to the views of the Secretary of State for India, they are prepared to agree to the proposal.

2. A copy of this letter has been sent to the India Office.

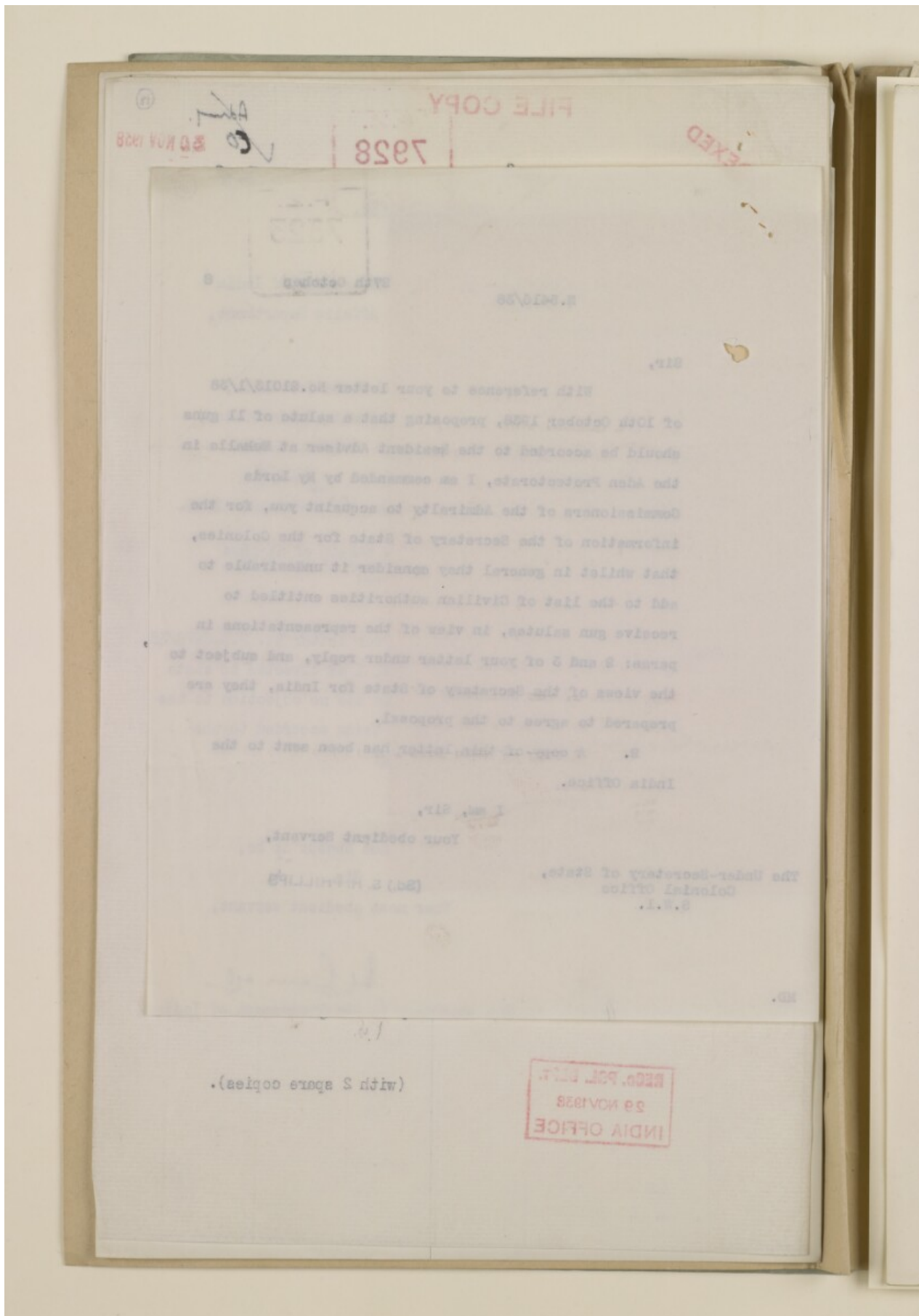
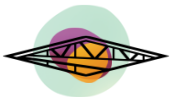
I am, Sir,

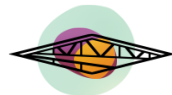
Your obedient Servant,

The Under-Secretary of State,
Colonial Office
S.W.1.

(Sd.) S. H. PHILLIPS

MD.





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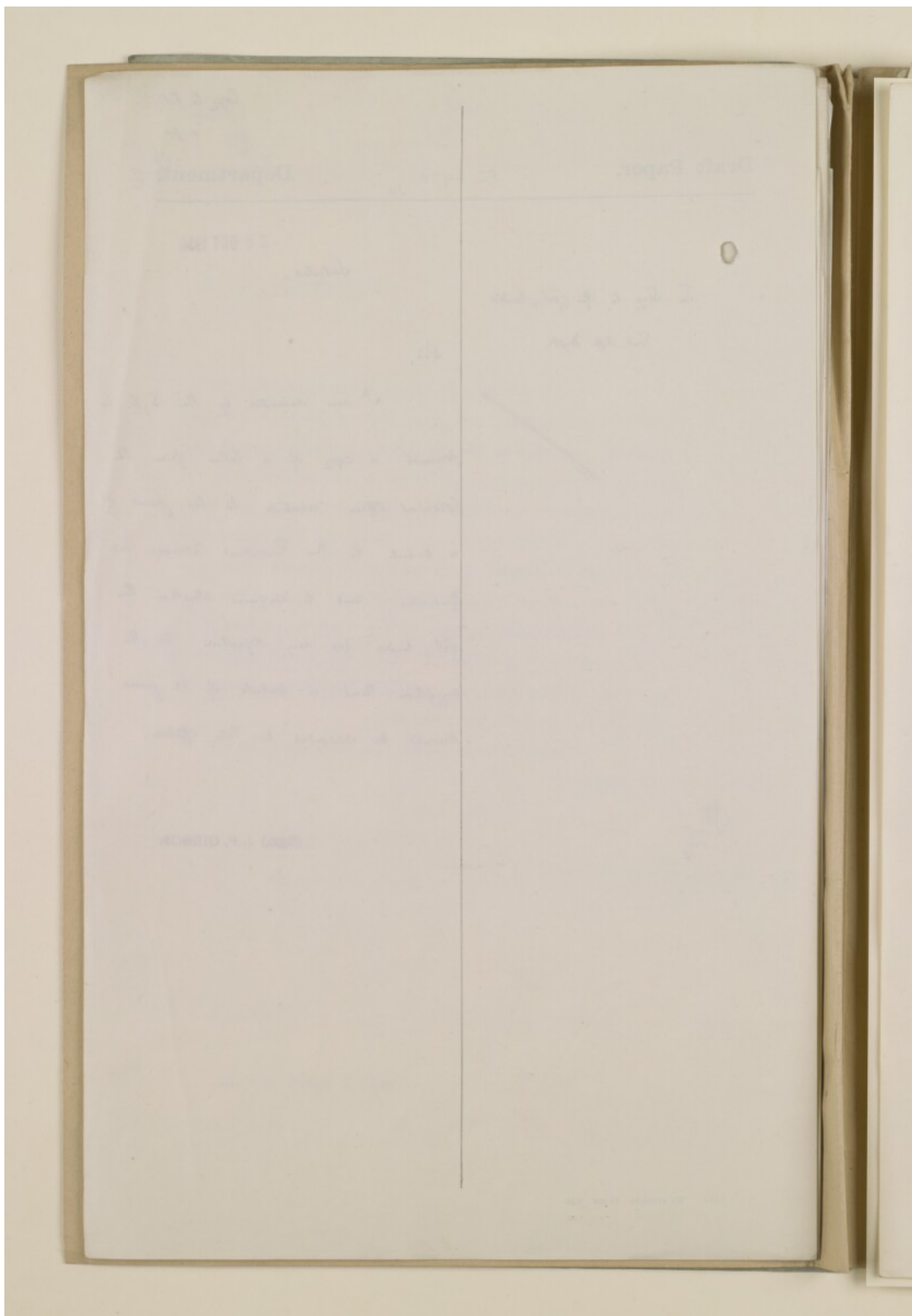
The Secy to the Govt. India
Ent. App. Dept.

Sir,

I am directed by the S.G. to forward a copy of a letter from the Colonial Office relative to the grant of a salute to the Resident Adviser at Mukalla and to enquire whether the Govt. India see any objection to the suggestion that a salute of 11 guns should be accorded to this officer.

(Sgd) J. P. GIBSON

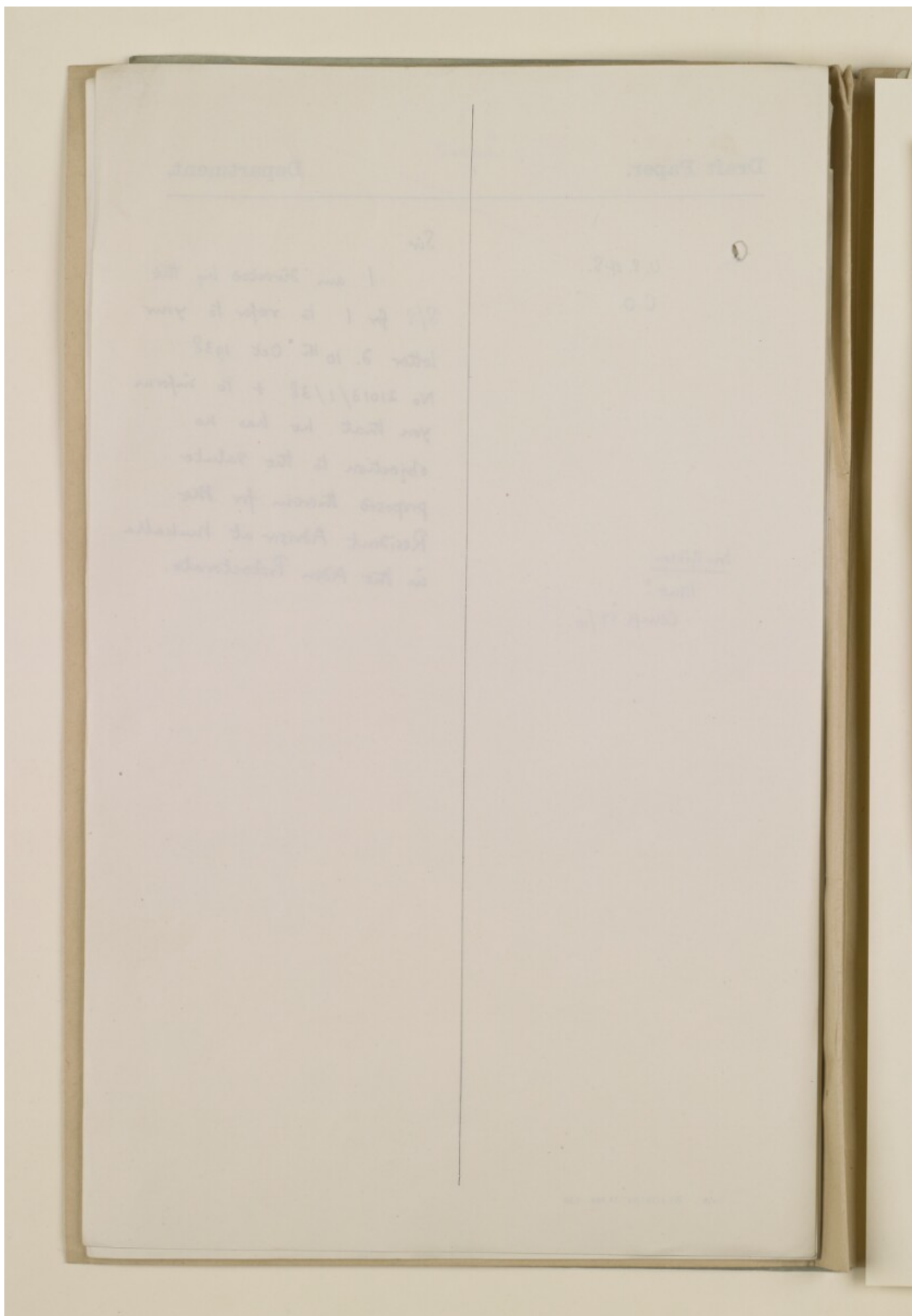
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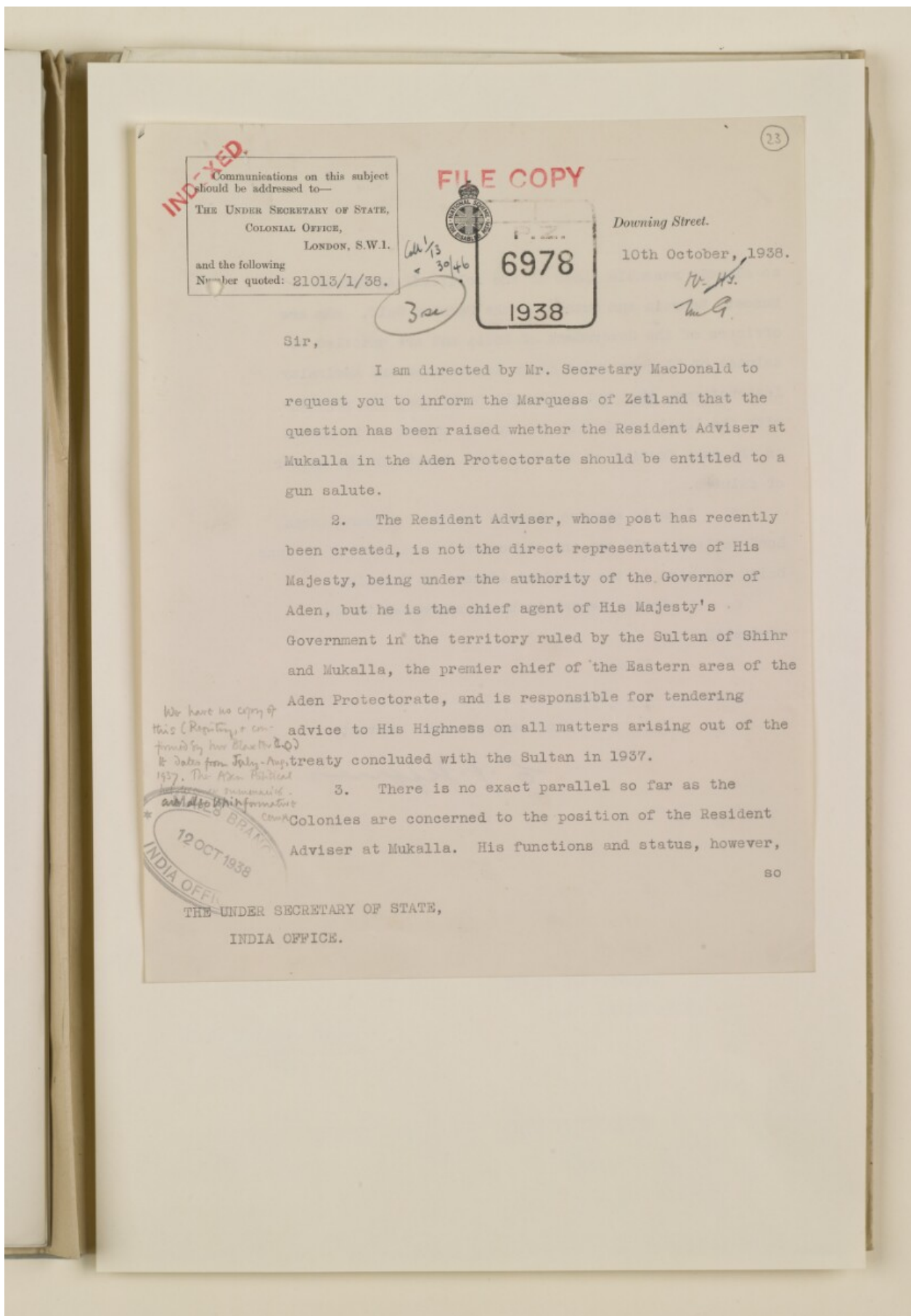




Draft Paper.	<i>Suspense</i>	Department.
U. S. of S. C. O.	Sir	I am directed by the S/S for 1 to refer to your letter d. 10 th Oct 1938 No 21013/1/38 + to inform you that he has no objection to the salute proposed therein for the Resident Adviser at Mukalla in the Aden Protectorate.
<u>Mr Gibson</u> Issue? Cempts 17/10		

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so closely resemble those of the Political Agents at Muscat, Bahrein and Kuwait in the Persian Gulf, who are officers of the Government of India and are entitled to salutes of 11 guns under Kings Regulations and Admiralty Instructions, that Mr. MacDonald feels that his prestige with the local population may suffer unless he is placed on the same footing as the Political Agents in the matter of salutes.

4. I am to enquire whether in these circumstances Lord Zetland would see any objection to a salute of 11 guns being accorded to the Resident Adviser at Mukalla.

5. A similar letter is being addressed to the Admiralty.

I am,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

G. J. Jeffries

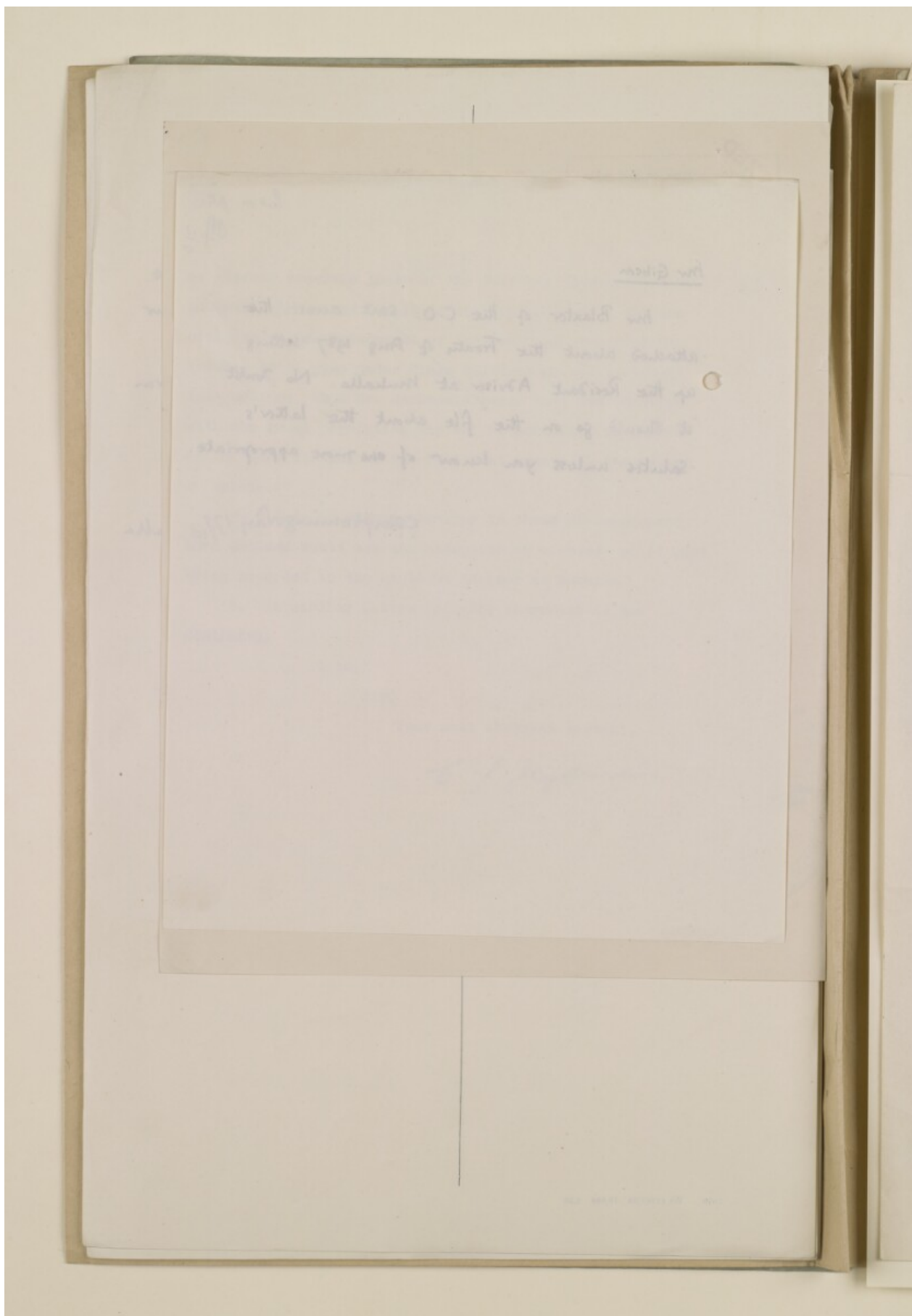


Mr Gibbon

Mr Blaxter of the C.O. sent across the
attached about the Treaty of Aug 1937 setting
up the Resident Adviser at Mukalla. No doubt
it should go on the file about the latter's
salutes unless you know of one more appropriate.

C. H. Hemmingway 17/10

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78018/37 [No. 120].

No.

PROOF.

THE GOVERNOR

to

THE SECRETARY OF STATE.

(Received 1st September, 1937.)

[Answered by No. 78018/37 [No. 134].]

(Confidential (2).)

SIR,

Governor's Office, Aden, 18th August, 1937.

I have the honour to refer to my telegram No. 12 of 13th August*, regarding the conclusion of a Treaty with the Sultan of Shihr and Mukalla, and to transmit herewith the original Treaty†, copies of the Notes exchanged between myself and the Sultan, and a letter from myself to the Sultan, the terms of which were taken from Mr. Cowell's semi-official letter of 3rd June‡.

2. In your telegram No. 29 of the 12th February§ you conveyed to me the approval of His Majesty's Government for the conclusion of a Treaty by which the Sultan would bind himself to receive a British Resident Adviser and to act on his advice in all matters except those concerning Muhammadan religion and customs. In consideration of his signing this Treaty the Sultan was to receive a loan of about three lakhs for approved working development.

3. As I have reported to you in my confidential despatch of the 31st March||, the Sultan rejected this offer, but at a later date it became evident that although he was not willing to submit to any control of his internal affairs in order to secure the advantages which a loan would have made possible, he was nevertheless probably prepared to do so in order to be able to secure the succession of his son to the Sultanate, and in your confidential despatch of the 24th May¶ you requested that the Sultan should be encouraged to submit definite proposals under which he would accept a British Adviser and sign a Treaty binding himself and his successors to act on his advice in all matters except those of Muhammadan religion and custom.

4. As stated in my telegram No. 12 of the 13th August**, the Treaty that the Sultan has now signed embodies the policy desired by His Majesty's Government; and it further secures the additional advantage of giving to His Majesty's Government the right of approval to each successive heir nominated by the Sultans, and in this respect is similar to the provisions of the Zanzibar Protectorate Treaty of the 14th June, 1890.

5. The word "accept" in Article 1 seemed perhaps a little less peremptory than the "ask" and "act upon" of the Perak Treaty, and in view of the final paragraph of Mr. Cowell's semi-official letter of the 3rd June††, I consider that this expression is adequate. The words "for the welfare of his State" were inserted with a view of meeting in some degree a request by the Sultan that the expression "for the improvement of his State" should be added after the words "on all matters". As the Sultan's proposal appeared to limit the power sought considerably, and as in fact it subsequently transpired from the Sultan himself that it was intended to do so, I decided that it could not be accepted in the form desired by him, but that there was no objection to the additional words in the position in which they now stand. The Sultan, after some hesitation, agreed to this alteration, and he then assured me that he signed the Treaty willingly. He further sent his Secretary Khan Bahadur Sheikh Ali Ba-Akza to see me the day after the signature to express his apologies for his hesitation, and to say that he was perfectly content with the situation.

6. The Sultan was not particularly anxious to insert in the Treaty provision for the dispossessed heir and for this reason I consented to the arrangement embodied in the Notes which, as you will observe, reserves final approval to His Majesty's Government.

7. The Sultan was subjected to considerable pressure in the shape of anonymous letters and other reproaches from persons who accused him with selling his State to the British, but he eventually brought himself to a sufficient pitch of courage to sign, and I thought it advisable to conclude the matter at once, subject to the final approval and confirmation of His Majesty's Government.

8. The Sultan has requested that the Treaty should not be made public for a month, during which time the opposition will get more used to the idea. I have consented, if and when your approval is given, to issue the enclosed Notice, and the Sultan, in consequence of advice he has been given by Mr. Ingrams, decided also to issue a Notice

* No. 78018/37 [No. 109]. † Copy printed as Enclosure 1. ‡ No. 78018/37 [No. 84].

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at the same time indicating that he had made a very good bargain with His Majesty's Government, rather than to leave himself in the undefended position of having gibes made at him by those who have pressed him not to sign. I enclose for your information a copy of the Sultan's proposed Proclamation.

9. As I was authorized in your telegram No. 29 of the 12th February*, I have given the Sultan to understand that the salary of the Adviser will be paid by His Majesty's Government, and I shall shortly address you with regard to the establishment required for the Hadhramaut.

10. I have not as yet received your approval to the proposal in my despatch Confidential 2 of the 14th April† that Mr. Ingrams should be appointed Adviser to the Kathiri Sultan, and I have under consideration at present a proposal that the Kathiri Sultan should also be invited to sign a Treaty of a nature similar to that accepted by the Sultan of Mukalla.

11. Although the Treaty has now been obtained without the promise of a loan, I trust that it will prove possible to grant it, and I propose shortly to address you on this subject also.

I have, &c.,

B. R. REILLY,

Governor.

Enclosure 1 in No.

TREATY BETWEEN HIS MAJESTY'S GOVERNMENT IN THE UNITED KINGDOM AND HIS HIGHNESS THE SULTAN OF SHIHR AND MUKALLA.

WHEREAS His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and His Highness Sultan Salih bin Ghalib al Qu'aiti, Sultan of Shihr and Mukalla, are desirous of strengthening the friendly relations which have long existed between His Majesty's Government and the Qu'aiti Sultans.

AND WHEREAS His Highness Sultan Salih bin Ghalib is desirous of developing and improving his State.

AND WHEREAS His Majesty's Government are desirous of upholding and strengthening the authority and dignity of the Sultan.

His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom have named and appointed Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Bernard Rawdon Reilly, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Companion of the Most Eminent Order of the Indian Empire, Officer of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Protectorate of Aden to conclude a treaty for this purpose.

Article 1.

His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom agree to appoint a Resident Adviser to the Sultan, and the Sultan agrees to provide the said Resident Adviser with a suitable house, and for the welfare of his State to accept his advice in all matters except those concerning Muhammadan religion and custom.

Article 2.

His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom recognize the right of the Sultans of Shihr and Mukalla to nominate their successors, subject to the approval of His Majesty's Government in each case.

Done at Aden, in duplicate, and in witness thereof the respective parties have set their seals and signatures this thirteenth day of August, 1937.

Seal of the
Chief Commissioner,
Aden.

Witness:
W. H. INGRAMS.

Witness:
SHEIKH ALI BA-AKZA.

For and on behalf of His Majesty's Government
in the United Kingdom and subject to their
confirmation and approval.

B. R. REILLY,
Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the
Protectorate of Aden.

On his own behalf and on behalf of his heirs
and successors.

SALEH BIN GHALIB,
Sultan of Shihr and Mukalla.

* No. 78018/37 [No. 22].

† No. 78018/37 [No. 49].



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Enclosure 2 in No.

DEAR FRIEND,

Aden, 13th August, 1937.

On the occasion of the signing of the new Treaty between myself and His Majesty's Government I have to inform Your Excellency that in accordance with Article 2 thereof I nominate my son Prince Awadh as my successor to the throne of Mukalla and I shall be grateful if the approval of His Majesty's Government may be formally conveyed to me.

2. I take this opportunity of expressing to Your Excellency my undertaking to make such provision for the son of the late Sultan as the revenues of my State can afford and as His Majesty's Government may consider reasonable. Furthermore I intend to confer on Sultan Muhammad bin Umar the title of "Prince" and I trust this action of mine may meet with the approval of His Majesty's Government.

I am, &c.,

SALEH BIN GHALIB,

Sultan of Shihr and Mukalla.

His Excellency

Sir Bernard Rawdon Reilly, K.C.M.G., C.I.E., O.B.E.,

Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the
Protectorate of Aden.

Enclosure 3 in No.

DEAR FRIEND,

Government House, Aden, 13th August, 1937.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of Your Highness's letter of to-day's date on the occasion of the signing of the new Treaty and I note that Your Highness nominates Prince Awadh as heir-apparent to the Mukalla State. I have much pleasure in conveying to Your Highness the approval of His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom to this nomination.

2. I am glad to observe that Your Highness proposes to make such provision for Sultan Muhammad bin Umar as the revenues of Your Highness's State may be able to afford and I shall be glad to be informed of the amount proposed for the approval of His Majesty's Government. I note Your Highness intends to confer the title of "Prince" on Sultan Muhammad bin Umar, and he will be so addressed in official correspondence from this Government.

I am, &c.,

B. R. REILLY,

Governor of the Protectorate of Aden.

His Highness Sultan Salih bin Ghalib al Qu'aiti,
Sultan of Shihr and Mukalla.

Enclosure 4 in No.

DEAR FRIEND,

Government House, Aden, 13th August, 1937.

I take this opportunity of conveying to Your Highness in writing my congratulations on the signing of the new Treaty and of expressing my confidence that the new relationship thus established will lead to an era of fruitful collaboration between His Majesty's Government and Your Highness in the promotion of the prosperity of Your Highness's State.

2. I understand that Your Highness has felt some apprehension that the acceptance of an Adviser would reduce your own powers to insignificance. This is by no means the intention of His Majesty's Government; and I think that if Your Highness understood the relations of His Majesty's Government with the Malay States you would realize this.

3. In all, ten Malay Rulers, within and without the Federation, have accepted Resident Advisers. Some of them have voluntarily entered into treaties of this nature in quite recent years, after long experience of the working of the Adviser system in neighbouring States. There have been very few cases of material disagreement between the Ruler and the Adviser, and the only serious case recently has concerned the succession in the State—a matter which in Mukalla is settled by the new Treaty.

4. It should be understood that the advice to be given to Your Highness in all matters of internal concern is based solely on Your Highness's Adviser's view of the interests of the State and of Your Highness. It has been the policy of His Majesty's Government to maintain the authority of the Ruler in all such matters. In matters of foreign relations other considerations must necessarily enter; but in this sphere Your Highness is already bound, both by treaty and by force of circumstances, to follow the advice of the Protecting Power.



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5. Your Highness should also understand that in the event of serious disagreement between yourself and your Adviser, it will be open to you to appeal to the Governor and even to the Secretary of State, but I feel confident that such disagreement is unlikely to arise.

I am, &c.,

B. R. REILLY,

Governor of the Protectorate of Aden.

His Highness Sultan Salih bin Ghalib al Qu'aiti,
Sultan of Shihr and Mukalla.

Enclosure 5 in No.

NOTICE.

In view of certain rumours having been recently disseminated to the effect that the Qu'aiti Sultanate of Shihr and Mukalla was being annexed, His Excellency the Governor desires it to be categorically stated that this rumour is utterly unfounded and that His Majesty's Government have never entertained any such intention.

On the contrary at the request of His Highness the Sultan, who is extremely desirous of promoting the welfare of his country. His Majesty's Government has agreed to provide the Sultan with the necessary advice and assistance to achieve his desires.

His Excellency desires it to be widely known that the whole policy of His Majesty's Government in the Protectorate is directed towards upholding and strengthening the authority and dignity of the Chiefs and the improvement of their territories.

Enclosure 6 in No.

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PUBLIC NOTICE.

Now by the grace of God I have returned to my country and people hale and hearty after attending the Coronation ceremonies of His Majesty the King George VI in London.

During my journey and on my return I heard several rumours which are current everywhere that the British Government has taken possession of my State and my authority and dignity will be suffered. These rumours are entirely false and unfounded. I have already brought to the notice of His Excellency the Governor at Aden about these rumours and His Excellency the Governor has already very kindly published the statement totally denying of such intentions of His Majesty's Government and declaring all such rumours false and unfounded and you all can read the same in the Aden Protectorate Gazette dated

The British Government has not the least intention to take even an inch of our land and they have also declared to uphold my authority and dignity.

Under the above circumstances I am now desirous that all such false rumours should forthwith be stopped and if any person or persons after this notice are still found spreading such false rumours which are injurious to my State and myself they will be severely dealt with, punished and transported.

Only for the welfare and vast improvements of our State I have asked the services of Mr. Ingrams from the British Government to work under me as my Resident Adviser because without an expert British officer the British Government will not give us all sorts of help for the vast improvements of our State as our means are limited. You all know very well that Mr. Ingrams during his short stay in my absence, has done well in establishing the peace, etc., and I hope he will work sincerely in complete co-operation and harmoniously with me in future under me for the improvements of my State.

Now by the grace of God I will give you a very good piece of information and which is this that according to my powers of the Sultan as the Ruling Chief of Mukalla, Shihr and Hadhramaut and also according to our religious orders of Shafaes I have nominated and declared that my son Prince Sultan Awad bin Saleh bin Ghalib Alkaity to be the heir-apparent of Mukalla, Shihr and Hadhramaut now and the Ruling Sultan of all countries under me mentioned above after me and I have also great pleasure to inform you all that our friend the British Government have already accepted my nomination and declaration that Prince Awad becomes the heir-apparent of my State in my life time and the Ruling Sultan after me. It is a matter of great satisfaction that the succession of Mukalla State has been established in the direct line of the late Sultan Awad for ever which will also be a great benefit to my family as well as the State and my subjects.

Sultan of Shihr and Mukalla and Hadhramaut.



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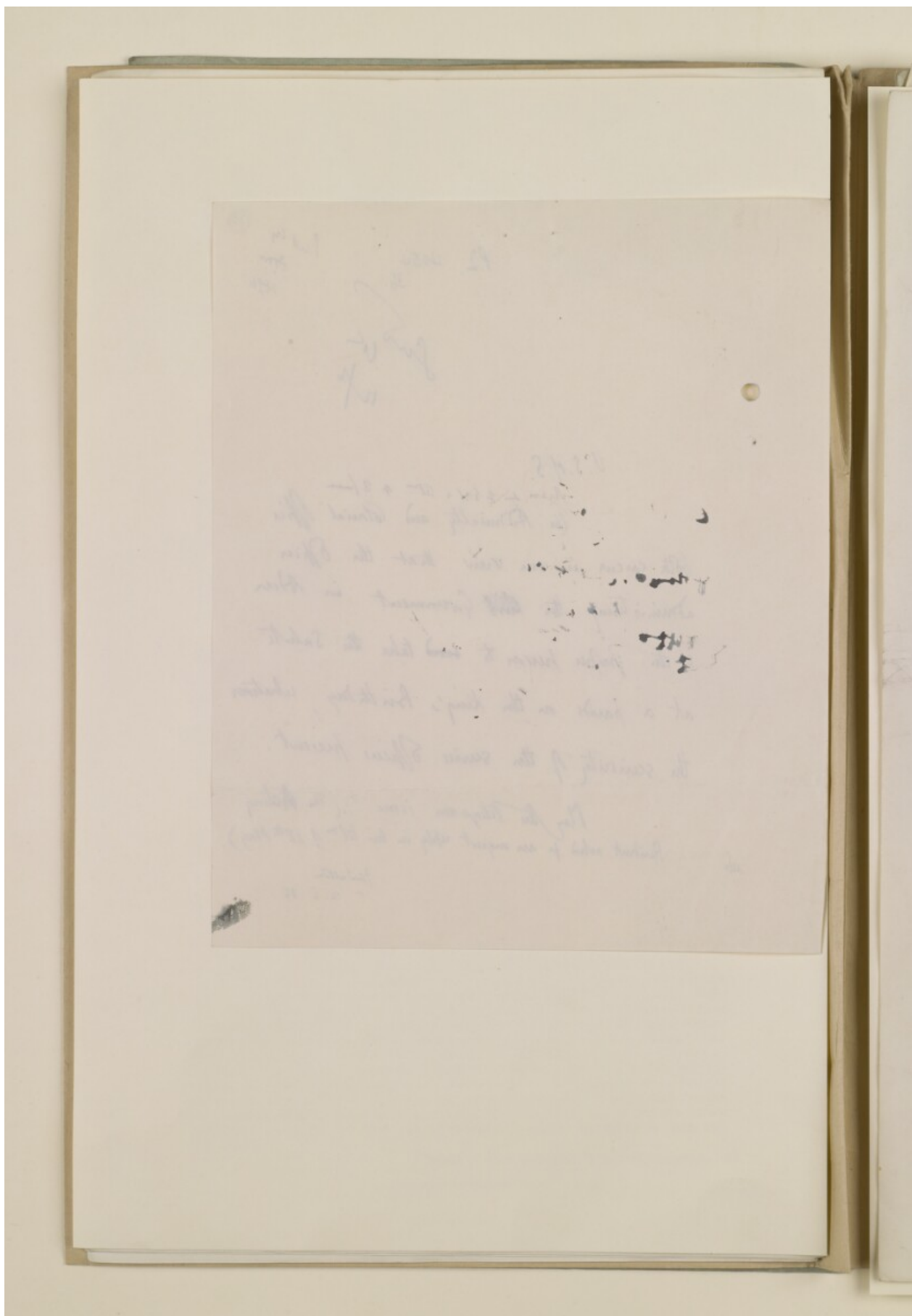
Resident in the S. of S. on 7/3 June.

The Admiralty and Colonial Office

both concur in our view that the Officer
administering the ~~local~~ Government in Aden
is the proper person to ~~send~~ take the Salute
at a parade on the King's Birthday, whatever
the seniority of the service Officers present.

May the telegram issue? (The Acting
Resident asked for an urgent reply in his tel. of 28th May).

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Immediate

From S. S. S.
To Govt. of India, Defence Dept., Simla
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Repeats to ① Acting Resident at Aden
② Commodore Commanding East Indies Station.

Addressed Govt. of India, repeated Aden and
Commodore Commanding East Indies Station.
Your telegram dated 5th June, No. 1300.
King's birthday parade at Aden.

although under Warrant of Precedence
in India Naval Commander-in-Chief takes
precedence of Resident at Aden, under
Colonial Regulations and special Tables of
Precedence approved by the King for
particular dependencies the Governor or
in his absence Officer Administering the
Government takes precedence over Commanding
Officers of any armed forces in Colony of
whatever rank.

As appointment of Resident at
Aden is held partly under H. M. Govt.
the salute should be taken by the Acting
Resident, as H. M.'s representative ashore.
Admiralty and Colonial Office
concur.
Consent direct to Aden and
Commodore Commanding East Indies Station

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Govt. of India, Defence Dept.

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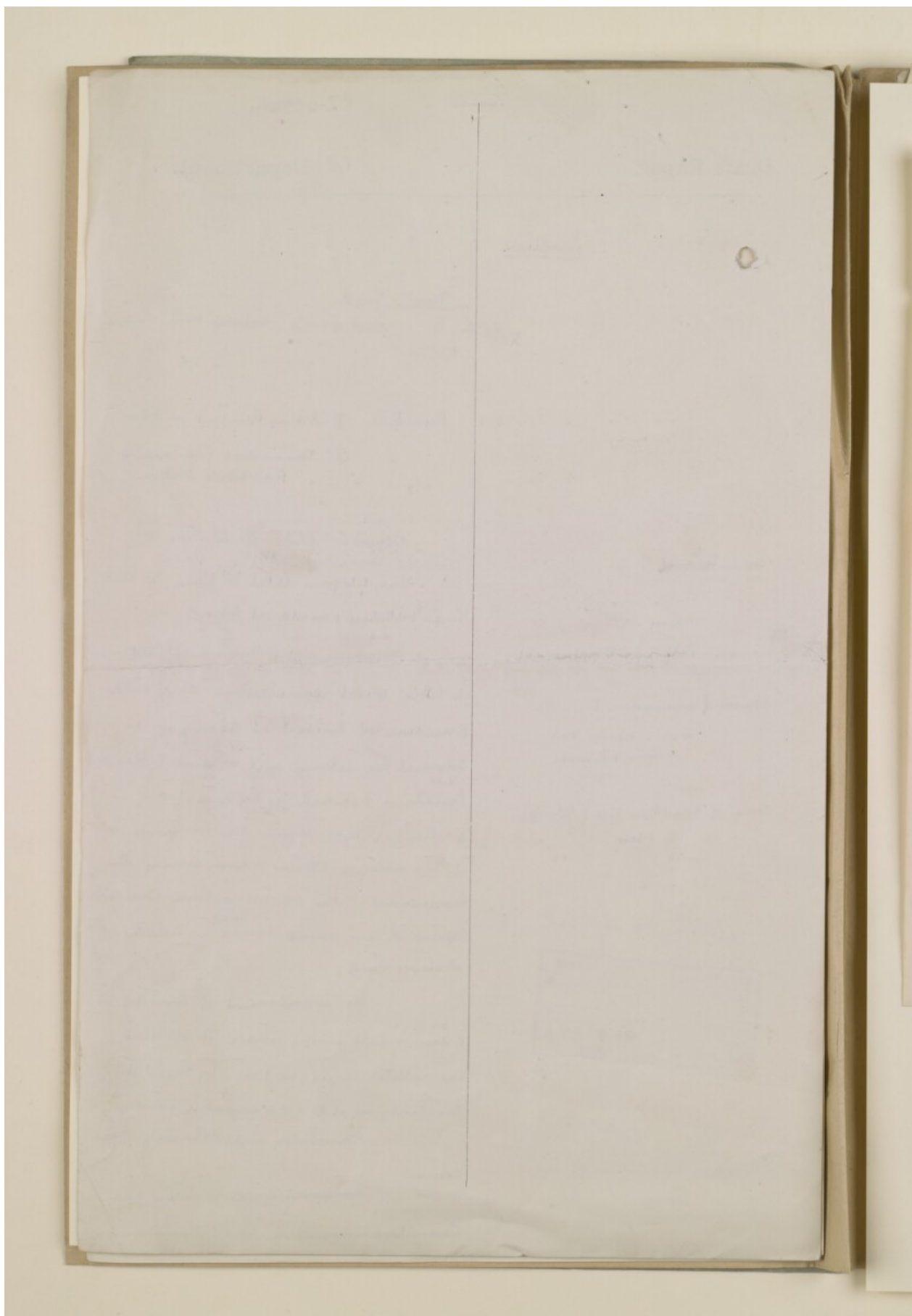
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L.P.—No. 8

Admiralty, S.W.1.

11th June, 1936.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. P.Z.3834/36 of the 8th June, concerning an enquiry from the Acting Resident at Aden as to who should take the salute at the King's Birthday parade, I am commanded by My Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty to acquaint you, for the information of the Secretary of State for India in Council, that they concur that the Chief Commissioner, as His Majesty's Representative ashore at Aden, should take the salute on this occasion.

My Lords would be glad if the reply to Government of India telegram No. 1300 could be repeated to the Commodore Commanding, East Indies Station.

A copy of this letter has been sent to the Colonial Office.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

The Under Secretary of State,

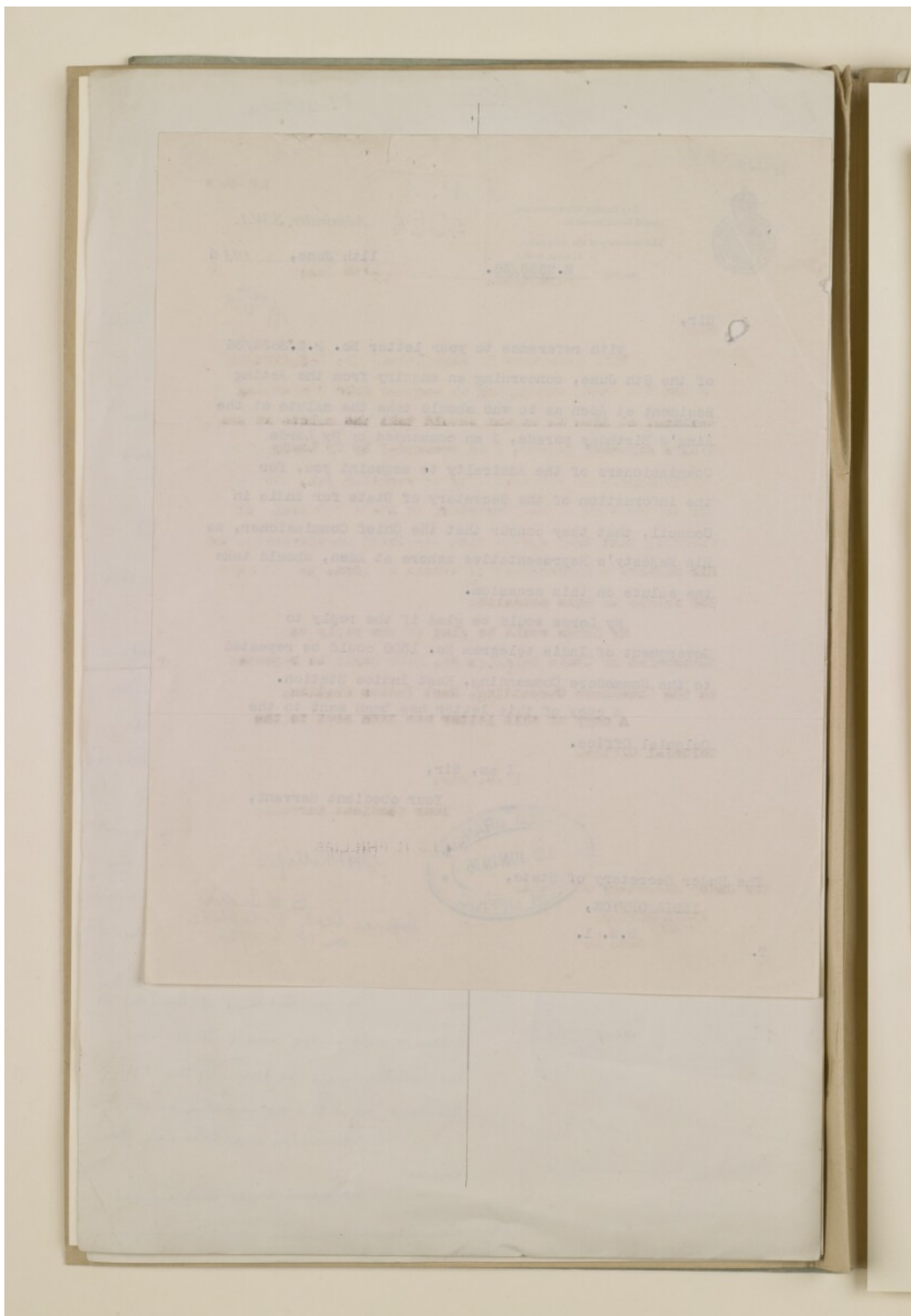
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J.H. Phillips
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LONDON, S.W.1.

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IMMEDIATE.

Downing Street.

10 June, 1936.

Sir,

I am directed by Mr. Secretary Ormsby-Gore to acknowledge the receipt of your letter P.Z.3834/36 of the 8th of June, and to request you to inform the Marquess of Zetland that he concurs in the view that the salute at the King's Birthday Parade at Aden should be taken by the Acting Resident.

2. The circumstances reported in the Acting Resident's telegram of the 28th of May to the Government of India could not arise in a Colony, since under both the general Table of Precedence, which is contained in Colonial Regulation No.115, and in the special Tables of Precedence which have been approved by the King for particular Dependencies, the Governor or, in his absence, the Officer Administering the Government takes precedence over the Commanding Officers of any of the Armed Forces in the Colony, whatever may be the rank of those officers.

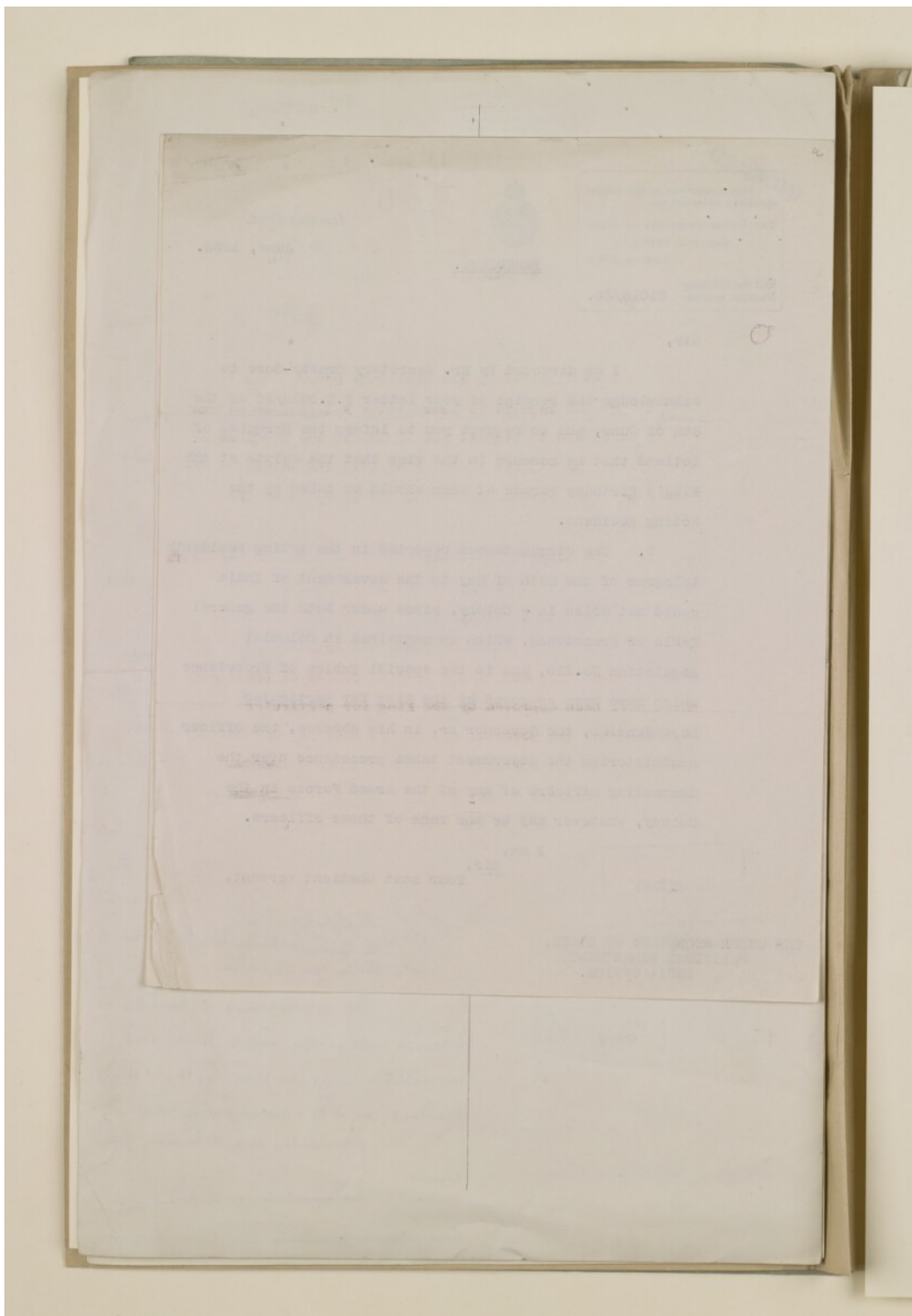
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THE UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE,
POLITICAL DEPARTMENT,
INDIA OFFICE.

I am,
Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

G. J. Jeppia
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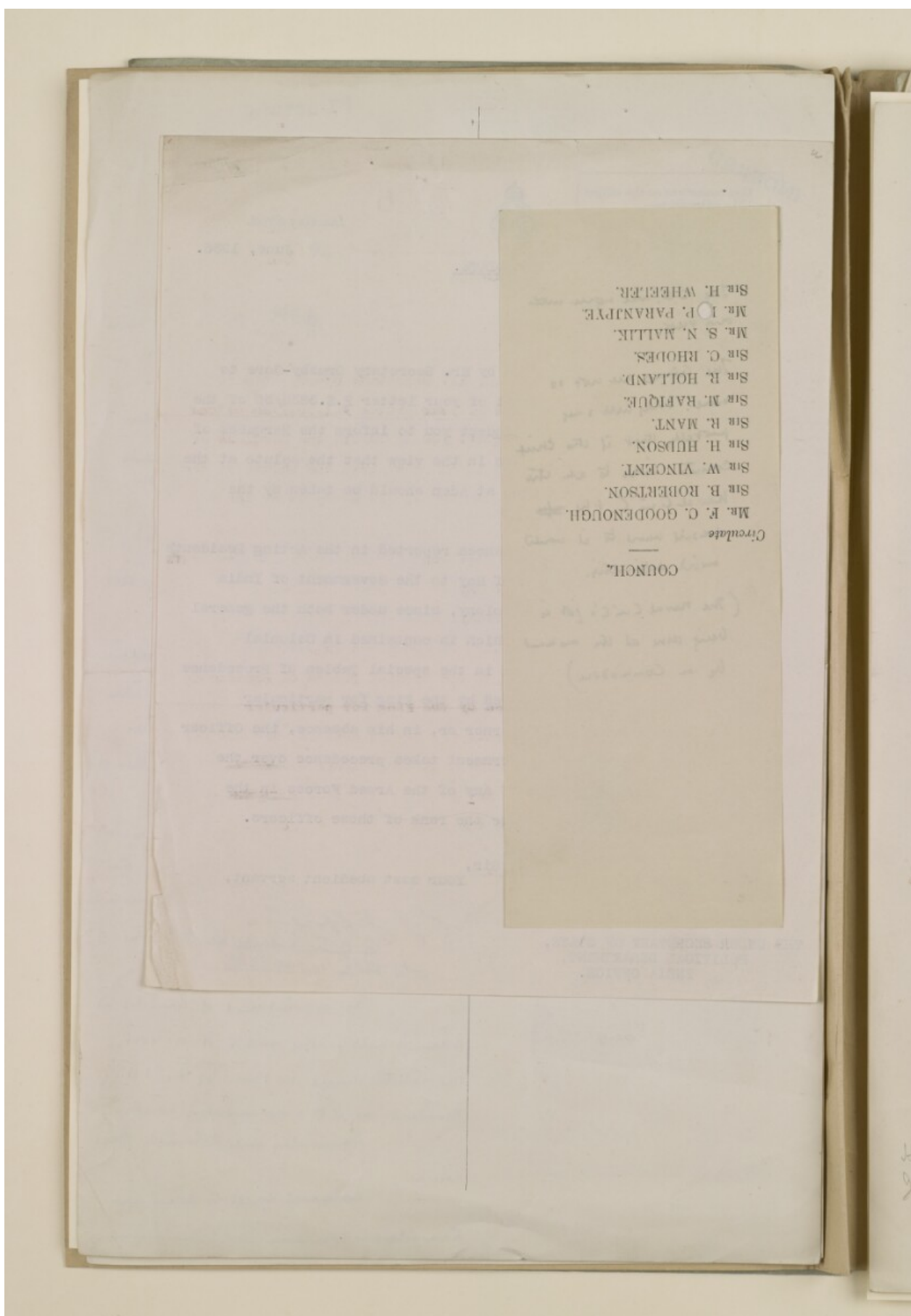




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The C.O. will agree with
our view.

The Admirals are not so
sure. They will say
probably that if the Chief
Commr. likes to see the
Naval Com C. the ~~staff~~
doesn't want to it would
avoid difficulties.

(The Naval Com C's job is
being done at the moment
by a Commodore)





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Draft Paper. **Department.**

URGENT. *Immediate*

-8 JUN 1936

U.S.S.,
C.O.

Copy to Admiralty (marked 'URGENT')
Aden.

-8 JUN 1936

Sir,

I am directed by the S. of S. for I. to refer to your letter of the 3rd inst., No. 21018/36, enclosing a copy of a telegram from the Acting Resident at Aden enquiring who should take the salute at the King's Birthday parade. Though under the Warrant of Precedence in India the Commander-in-Chief of H.M. Naval Forces in the East Indies takes precedence of the Resident at Aden, the Marquess of Zetland is not sure that the question which has arisen in the present case should necessarily be decided on this basis, ^{since} The appointment at Aden is held partly under the C.O. I am to enquire whether, if similar circumstances arose in one of the Colonies, the salute would be taken by the Governor as H.M.'s representative. If so, in the peculiar circumstances of Aden it would perhaps be desirable, if Mr. Secy. Ormsby-Gore and the L.C.A. concur, that the Acting Resident should take the salute.

A copy of this letter is being sent to the Admiralty.

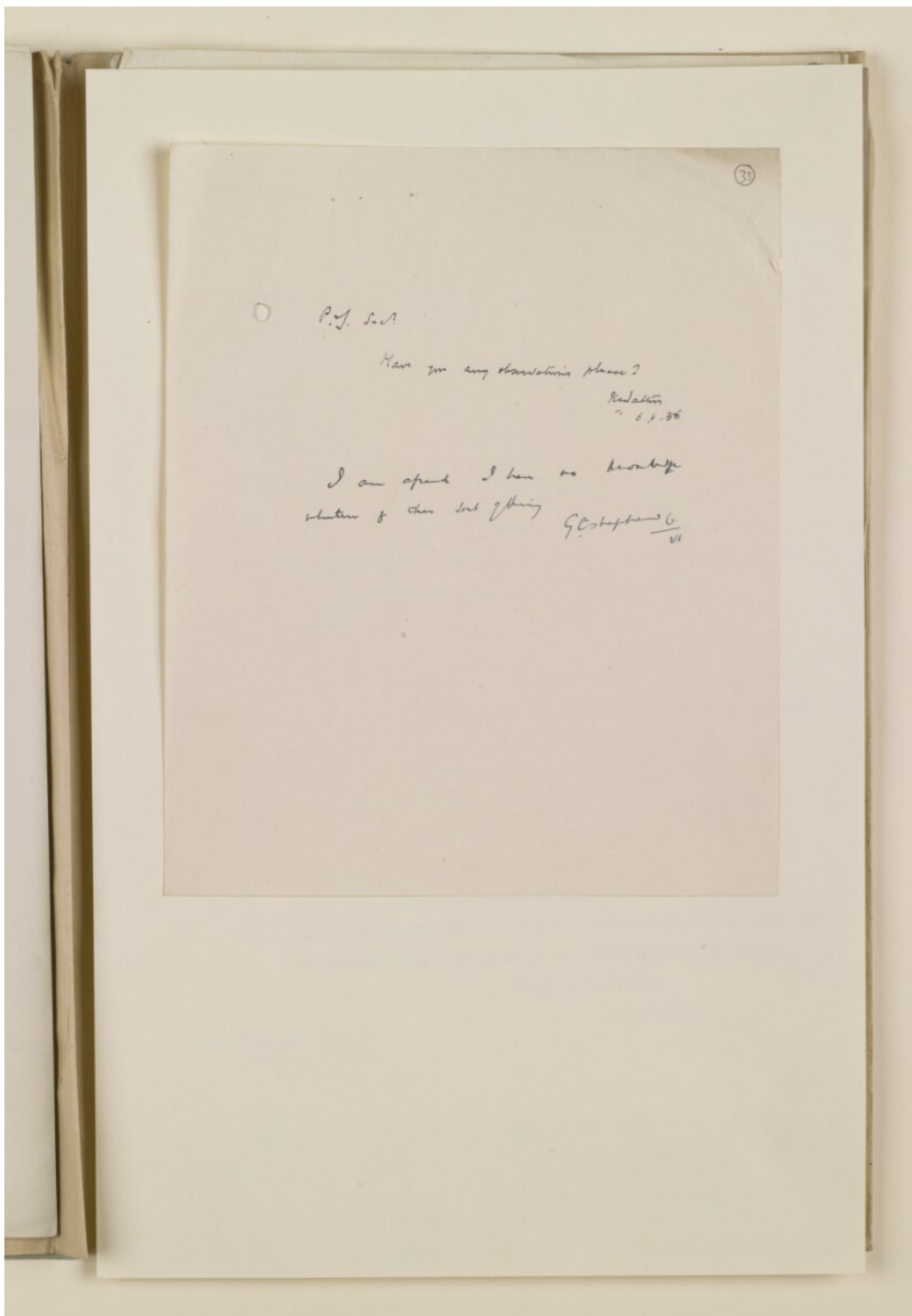
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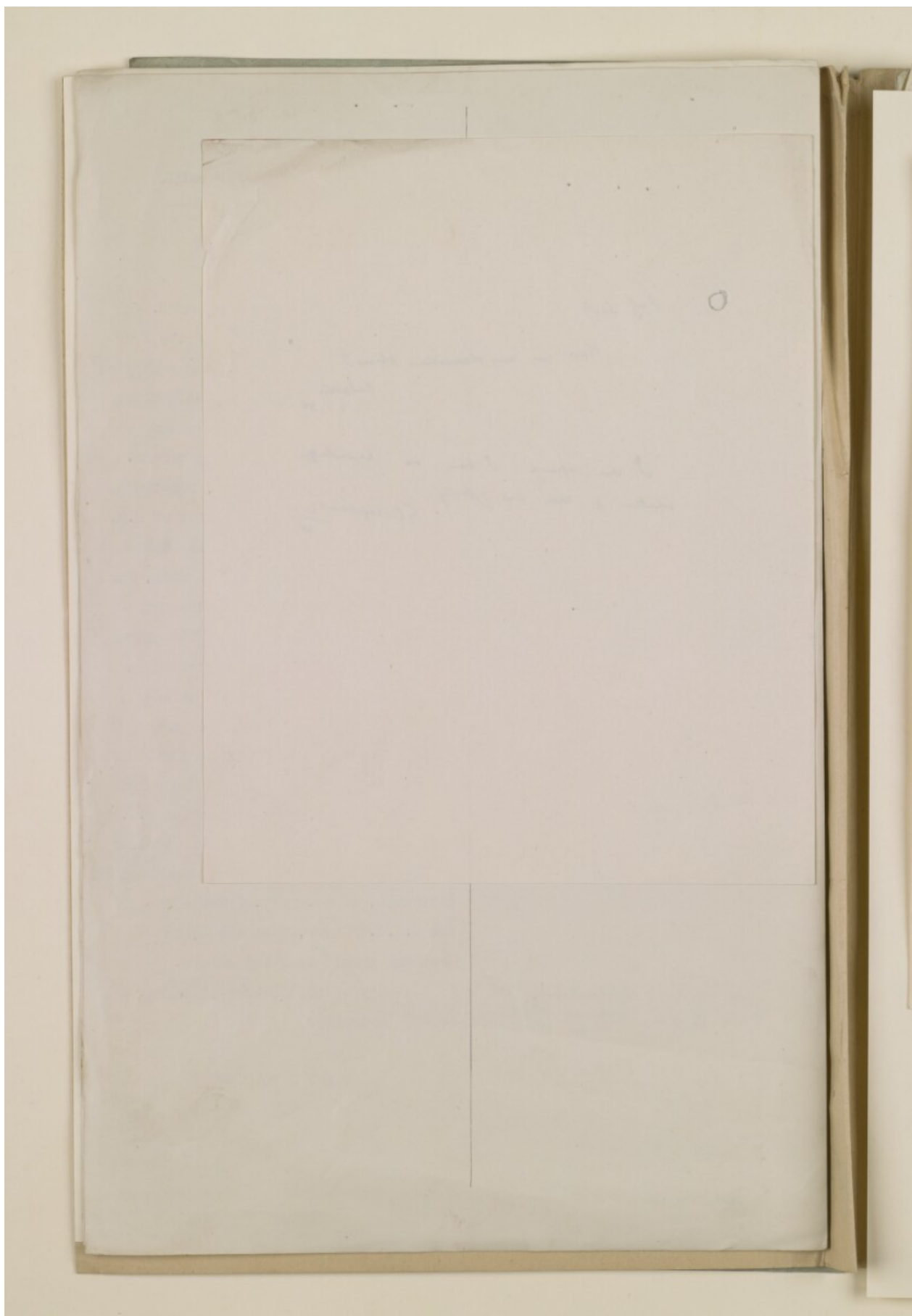
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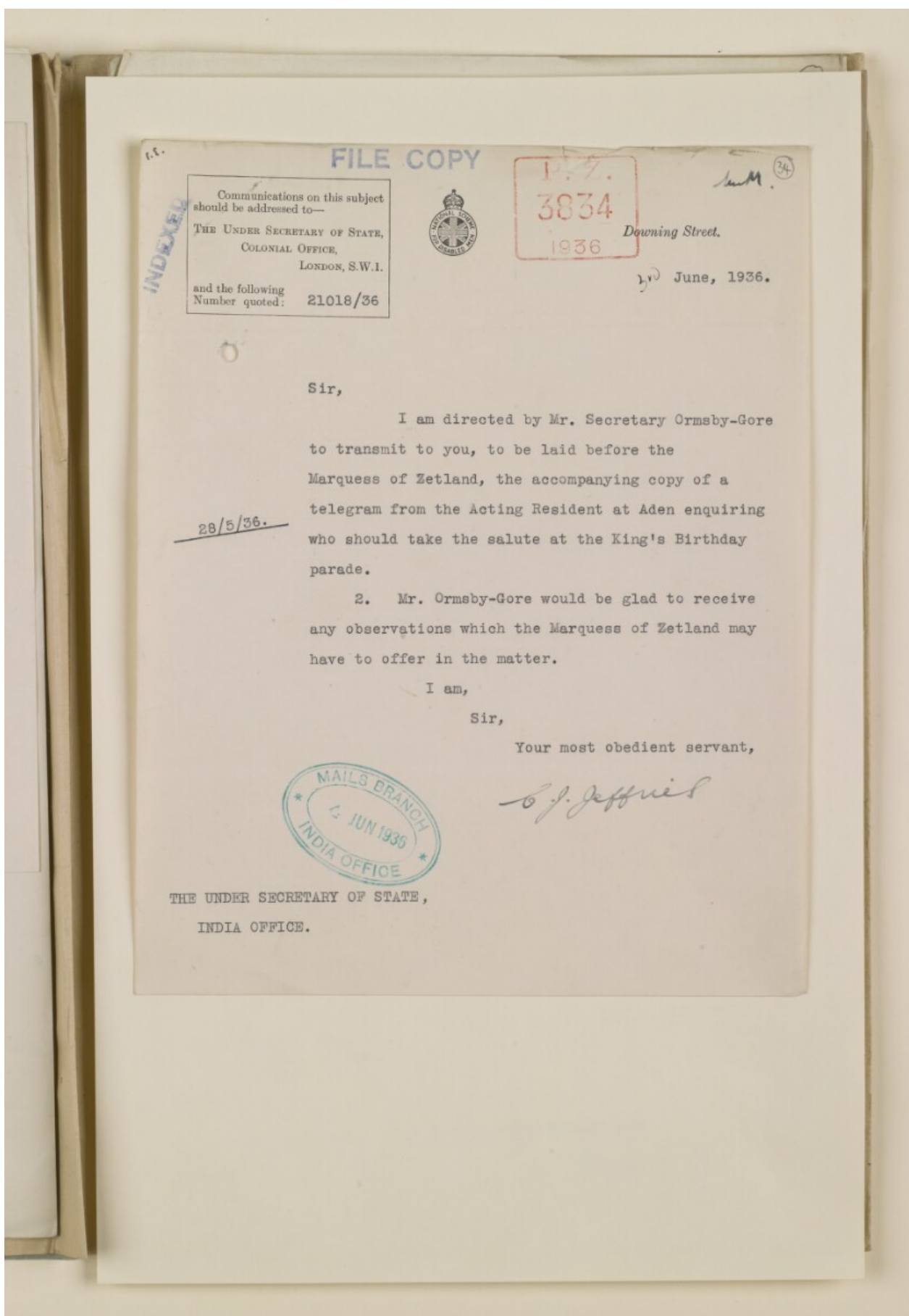
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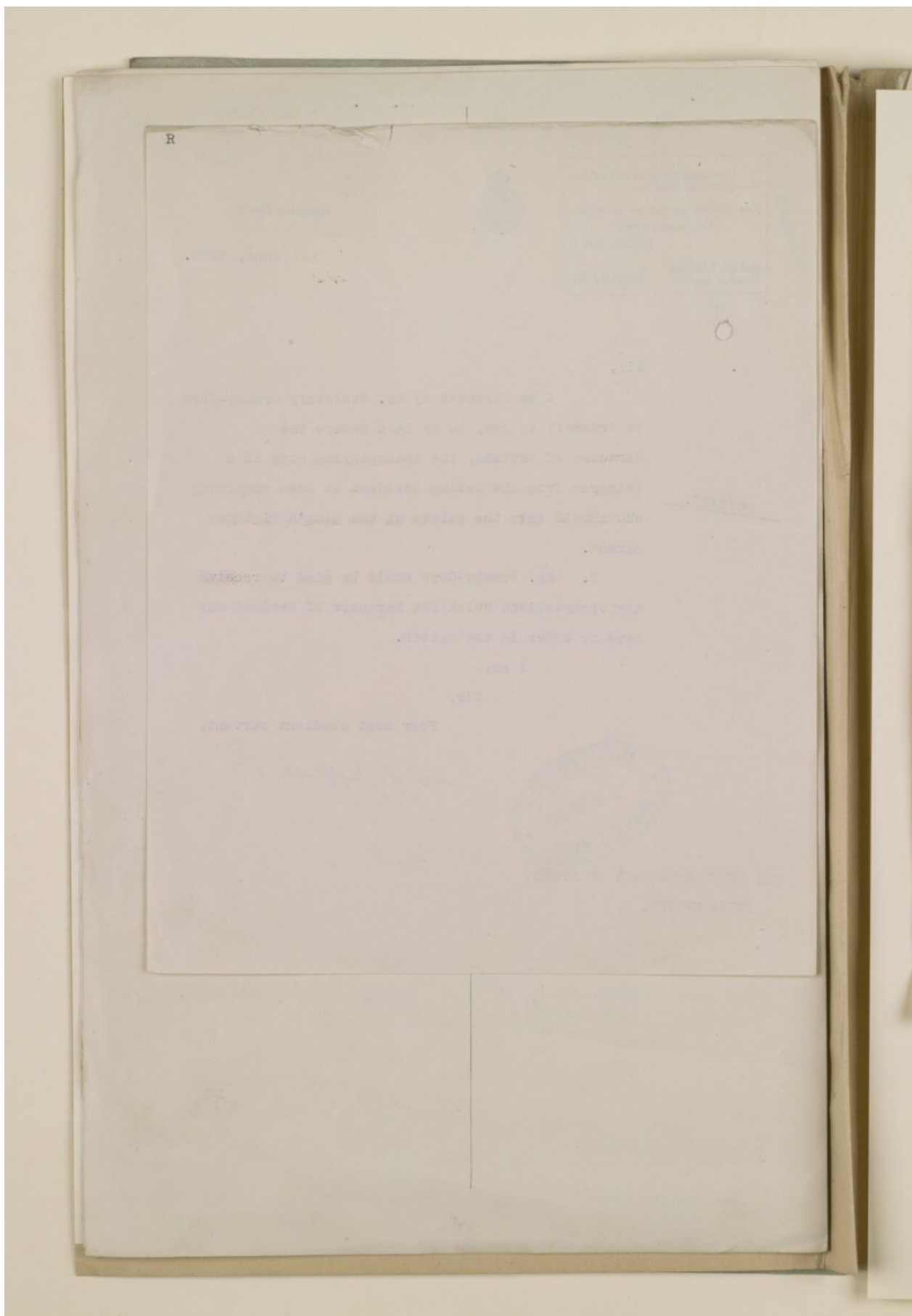
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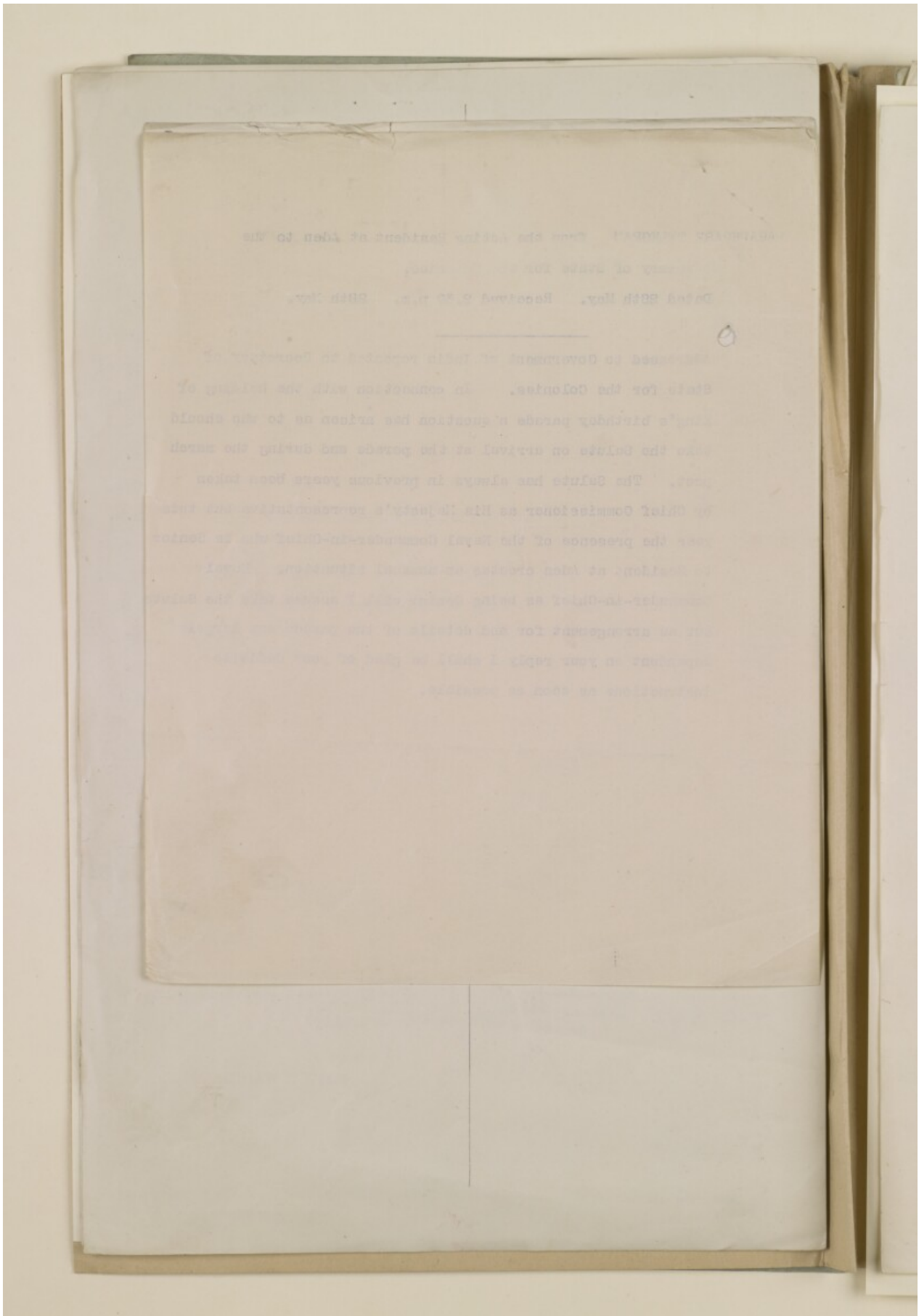


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PARAPHRASE TELEGRAM from the Acting Resident at Aden to the
Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Dated 28th May. Received 2.39 p.m. 28th May.

Addressed to Government of India repeated to Secretary of
State for the Colonies. In connection with the holding of
King's birthday parade a question has arisen as to who should
take the Salute on arrival at the parade and during the march
past. The Salute has always in previous years been taken
by Chief Commissioner as His Majesty's representative but this
year the presence of the Naval Commander-in-Chief who is Senior
to Resident at Aden creates an unusual situation. Naval
Commander-in-Chief as being Senior will I assume take the Salute
but as arrangement for and details of the parade are largely
dependent on your reply I shall be glad of your definite
instructions as soon as possible.





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DECYPHER OF TELEGRAM.

From Government of India, Defence Department, to Secretary of State for India, repeating telegram received from Chief Commissioner, Aden.

Dated Simla, 3rd June, 1936.

Received 6.45 p.m., 3rd June, 1936.

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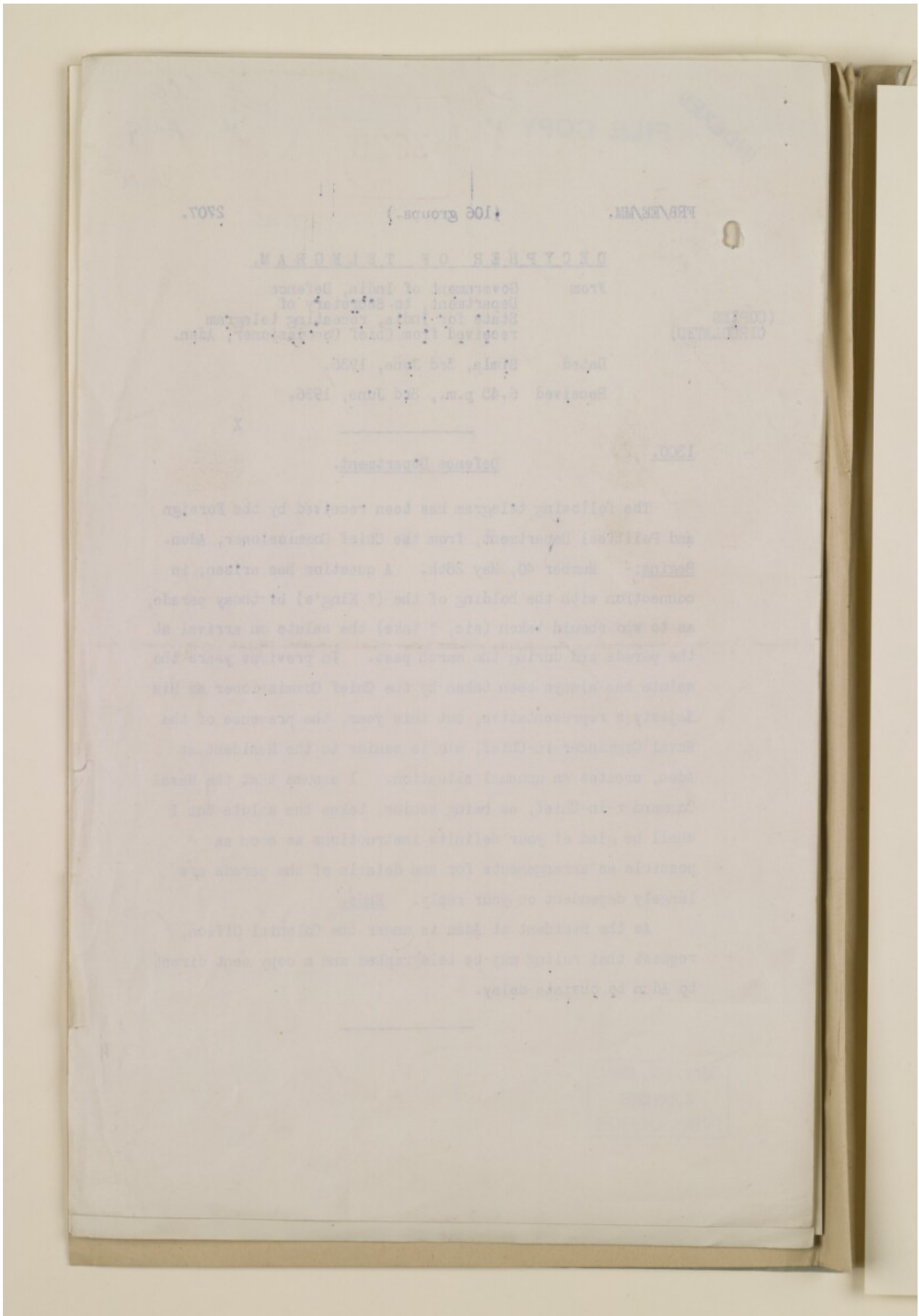
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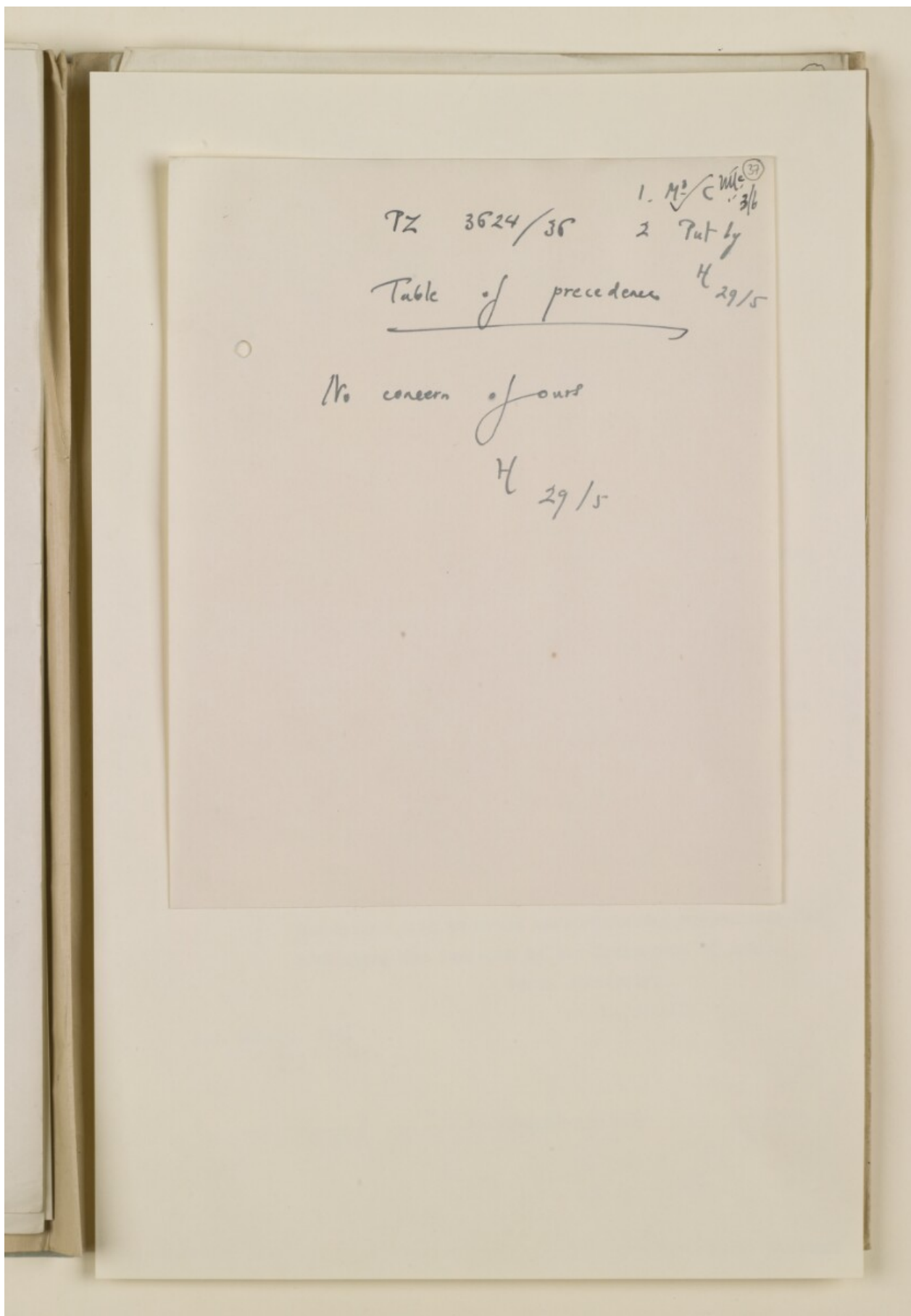
The following telegram has been received by the Foreign and Political Department, from the Chief Commissioner, Aden.

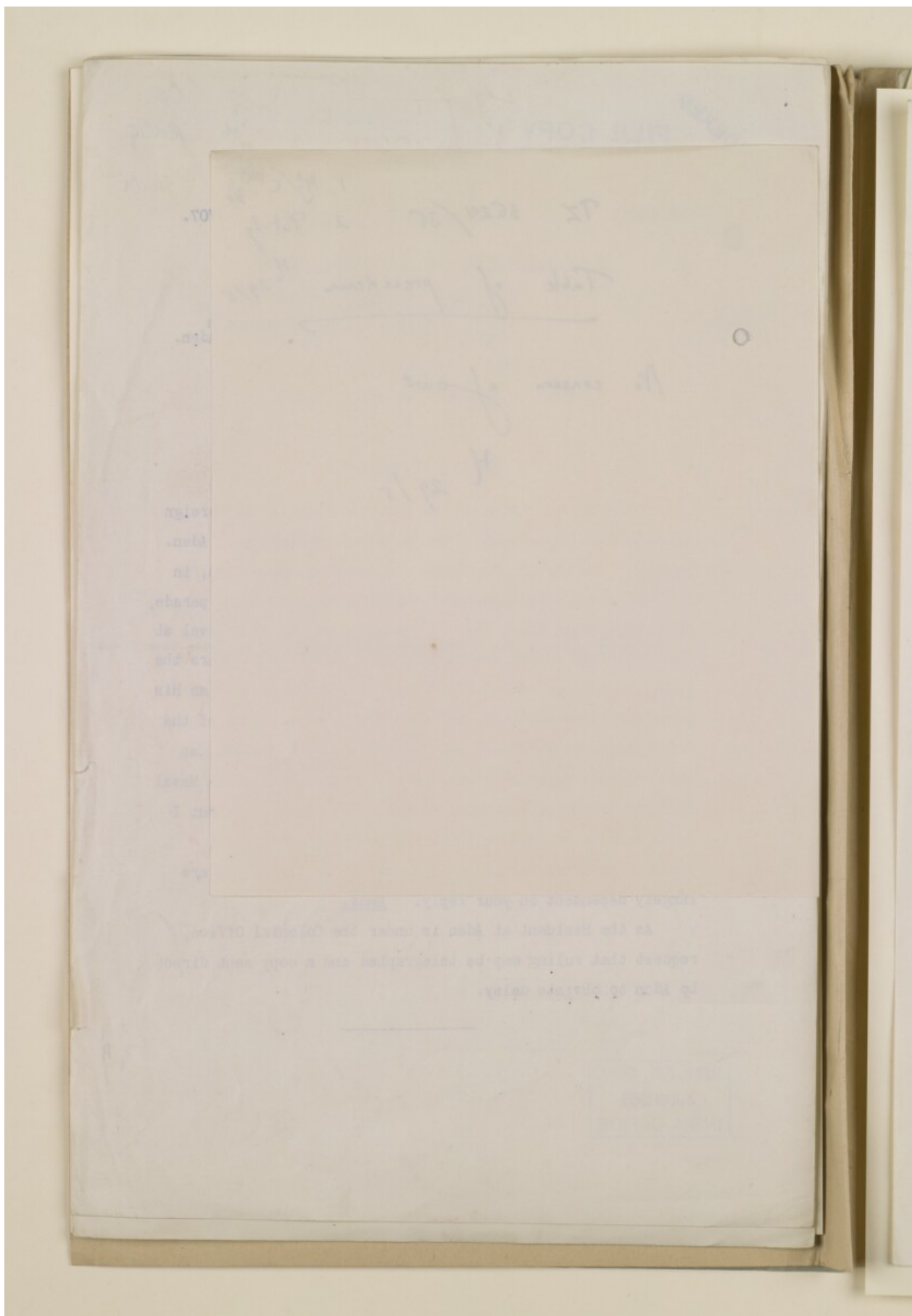
Begin:- Number 40, May 28th. A question has arisen, in connection with the holding of the (? King's) birthday parade, as to who should taken (sic, ? take) the salute on arrival at the parade and during the march past. In previous years the salute has always been taken by the Chief Commissioner as His Majesty's representative, but this year, the presence of the Naval Commander-in-Chief, who is senior to the Resident at Aden, creates an unusual situation. I assume that the Naval Commander-in-Chief, as being senior, takes the salute but I shall be glad of your definite instructions as soon as possible as arrangements for and details of the parade are largely dependent on your reply. Ends.

As the Resident at Aden is under the Colonial Office, request that ruling may be telegraphed and a copy sent direct to Aden to obviate delay.

NEED. POL. DEPT.
4 JUN 1936
INDIA OFFICE









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THE RESIDENCY, 3082 ②-Ld #.
Aden, 5th May 1936.

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Dear Walton,

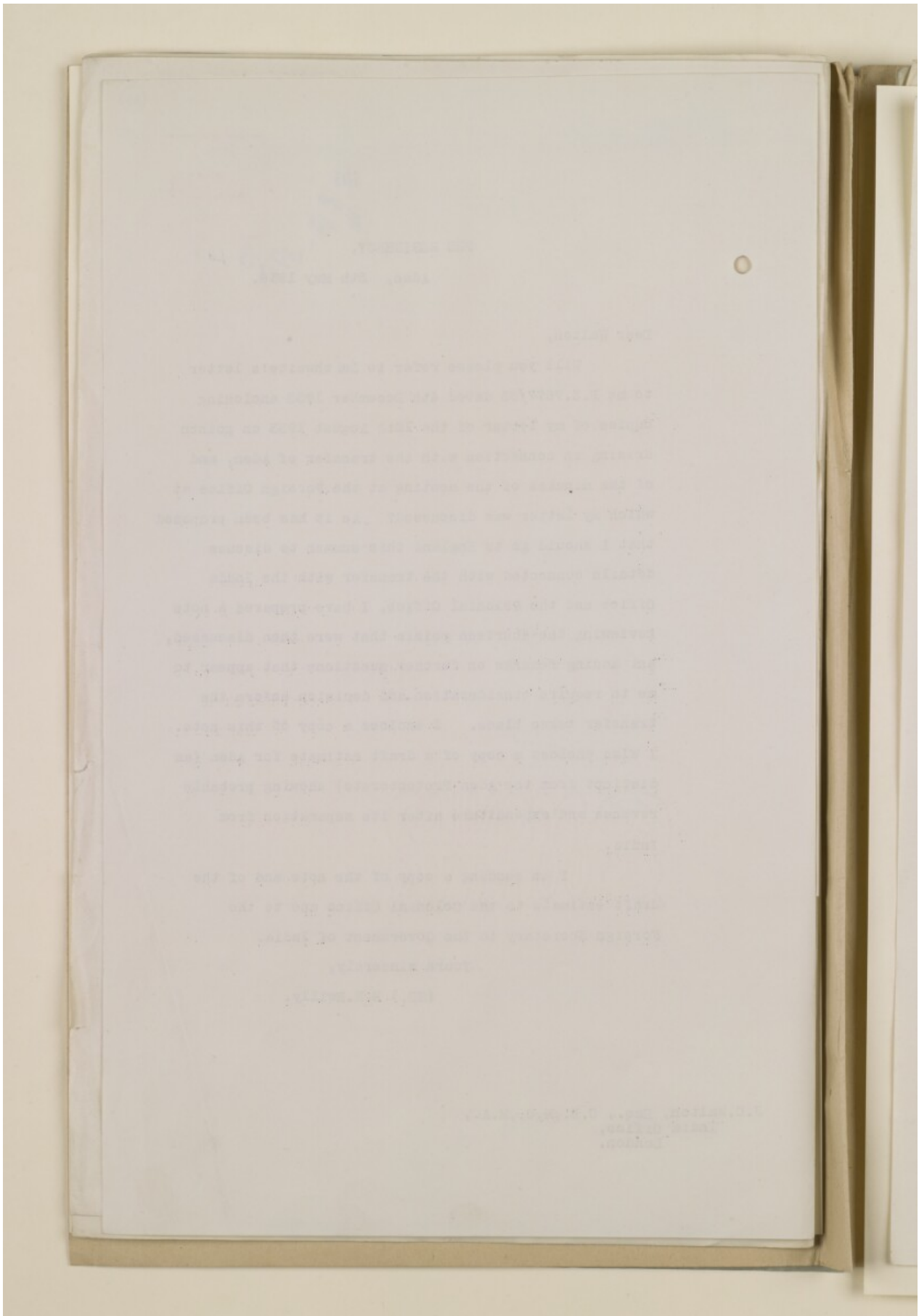
Will you please refer to Leithwaite's letter to me P.Z.7877/33 dated 4th December 1933 enclosing copies of my letter of the 10th August 1933 on points arising in connection with the transfer of Aden, and of the minutes of the meeting at the Foreign Office at which my letter was discussed? As it has been proposed that I should go to England this summer to discuss details connected with the transfer with the India Office and the Colonial Office, I have prepared a note reviewing the fourteen points that were then discussed, and adding remarks on further questions that appear to me to require consideration and decision before the transfer takes place. I enclose a copy of this note. I also enclose a copy of a draft estimate for Aden (as distinct from the Aden Protectorate) showing probable revenue and expenditure after its separation from India.

I am sending a copy of the note and of the draft estimate to the Colonial Office and to the Foreign Secretary to the Government of India.

Yours sincerely,

(SD.) B.R.Reilly.

J.C.Walton, Esq., C.B.,M.C.,M.A.,
India Office,
London.





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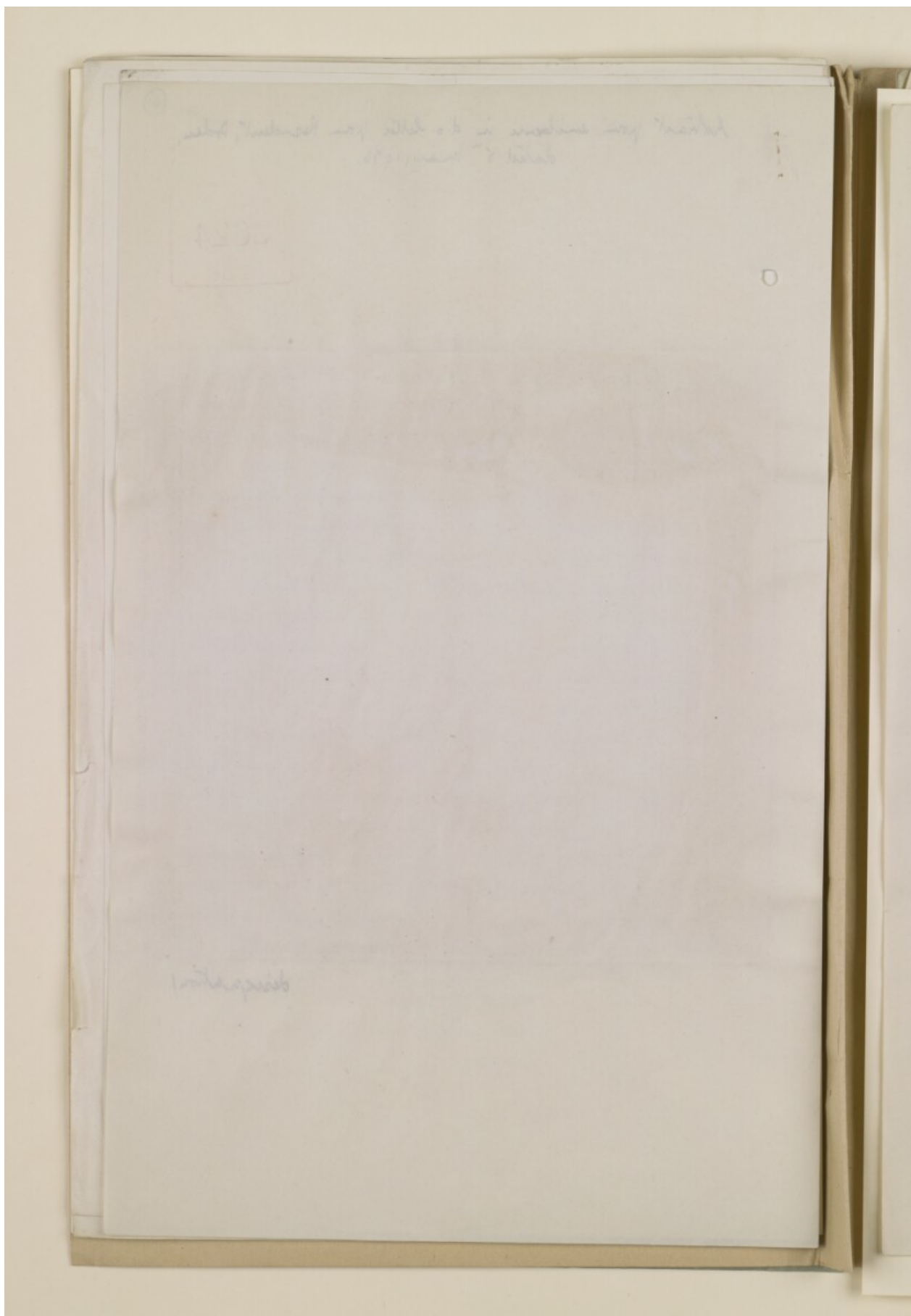
Exhant from enclosure in d.o. letter from Resident, Aden,
dated 5th May, 1936.

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Point 18. Table of Precedence. At present the precedence of senior officers serving in Aden is regulated by the Indian Warrant of Precedence. When Aden is separated from India their appointments will disappear in this Warrant, and their precedence must then be regulated by the Colonial Office Administration. Aden being a Naval, Military and Air Force centre, it is necessary to decide relative seniority of civil officials with Naval, Military and Air Force officers. At present the Political Secretary ranks below a Lieutenant-Colonel, the Civil Secretary and District Magistrate ranks with a Major, and the Chairman of the Aden Port Trust ranks between the two. In my opinion, the grading of all these three officers ought to be raised. The Political Secretary should rank with Lieutenant-Colonels, and the Chairman of the Aden Port Trust and Settlement (who holds a most responsible position) might well do the same. The Civil Secretary might also be put on the same grade as the Political Secretary. The District and Sessions Judge at present ranks above Lieutenant-Colonels, and I think that this should remain unchanged. I recommend that his

designation/





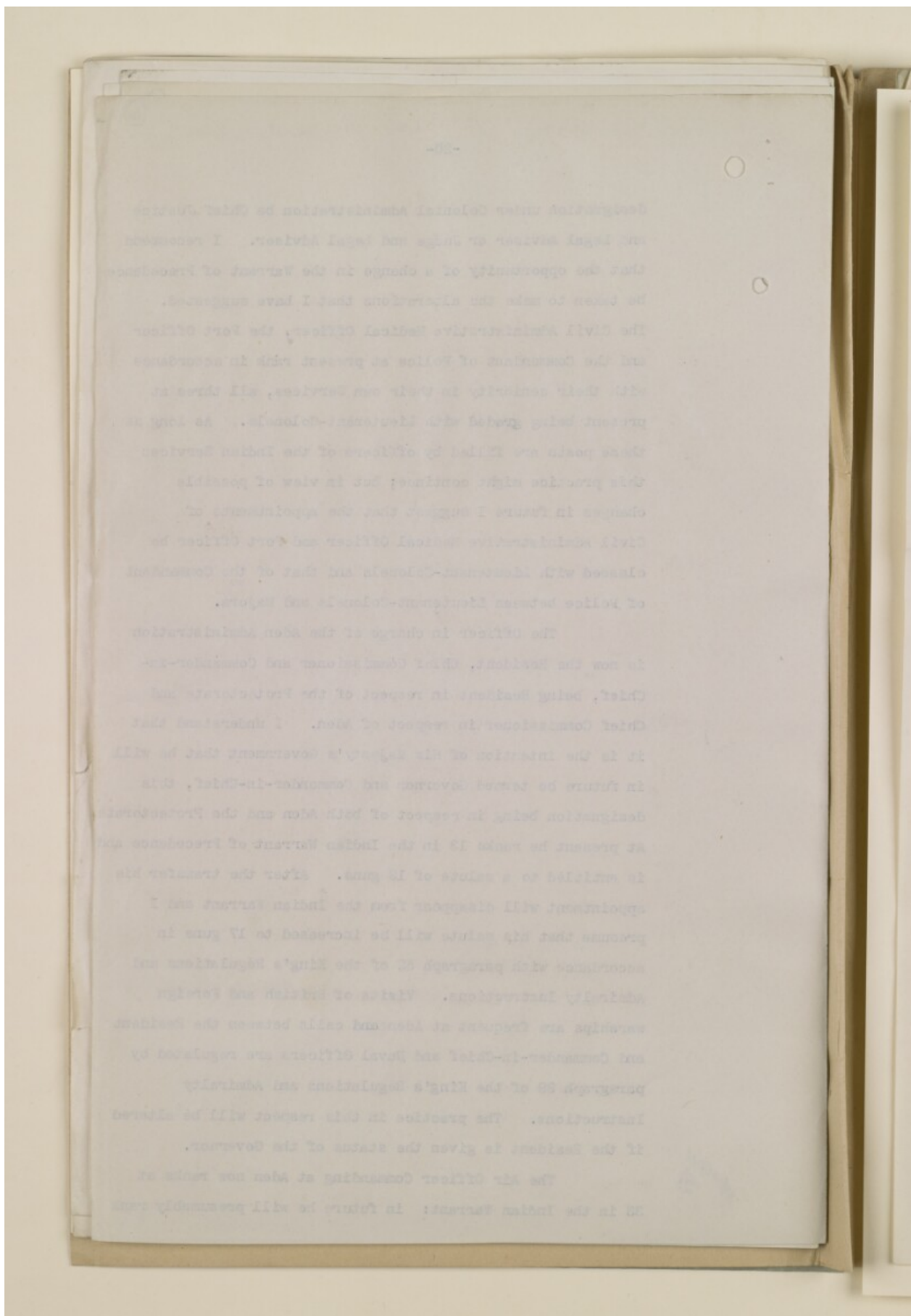
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designation under Colonial Administration be Chief Justice and Legal Adviser or Judge and Legal Adviser. I recommend that the opportunity of a change in the Warrant of Precedence be taken to make the alterations that I have suggested. The Civil Administrative Medical Officer, the Port Officer and the Commandant of Police at present rank in accordance with their seniority in their own Services, all three at present being graded with Lieutenant-Colonels. As long as these posts are filled by officers of the Indian Services this practice might continue; but in view of possible changes in future I suggest that the appointments of Civil Administrative Medical Officer and Port Officer be classed with Lieutenant-Colonels and that of the Commandant of Police between Lieutenant-Colonels and Majors.

The Officer in charge of the Aden Administration is now the Resident, Chief Commissioner and Commander-in-Chief, being Resident in respect of the Protectorate and Chief Commissioner in respect of Aden. I understand that it is the intention of His Majesty's Government that he will in future be termed Governor and Commander-in-Chief, this designation being in respect of both Aden and the Protectorate. At present he ranks 13 in the Indian Warrant of Precedence and is entitled to a salute of 13 guns. After the transfer his appointment will disappear from the Indian Warrant and I presume that his salute will be increased to 17 guns in accordance with paragraph 52 of the King's Regulations and Admiralty Instructions. Visits of British and Foreign warships are frequent at Aden and calls between the Resident and Commander-in-Chief and Naval Officers are regulated by paragraph 99 of the King's Regulations and Admiralty Instructions. The practice in this respect will be altered if the Resident is given the status of the Governor.

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The Air Officer Commanding at Aden now ranks at 33 in the Indian Warrant: in future he will presumably rank





in Aden immediately after the Governor.

It will be necessary to give the Treasurer a position in the new Warrant and this will depend on the relative seniority that he should hold in respect of other civil officials and of Naval, Military and Air Force officers in Aden, and on the position that he will hold as a member of the Executive Council.

At present the two Political Officers, the Frontier Officer, the Education Officer, the Civil Surgeon, the Assistant Commandant of Police and the Extra Assistant Commissioner have no positions in the Warrant, and it is for consideration whether any or all of these officers ought to be graded.





Draft Paper.

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P.Z. 4987/32

Pol. Department.

For Secy to the S/I
For. & Pol. Dept.

Simla.

Mr. Walton

? Sign

Please see Mr. Laithwaite's note at K
and the d.o. letters under the draft.
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Copy to C.O.

Adm. Secy.

F.O. with copy of letter of 4 June

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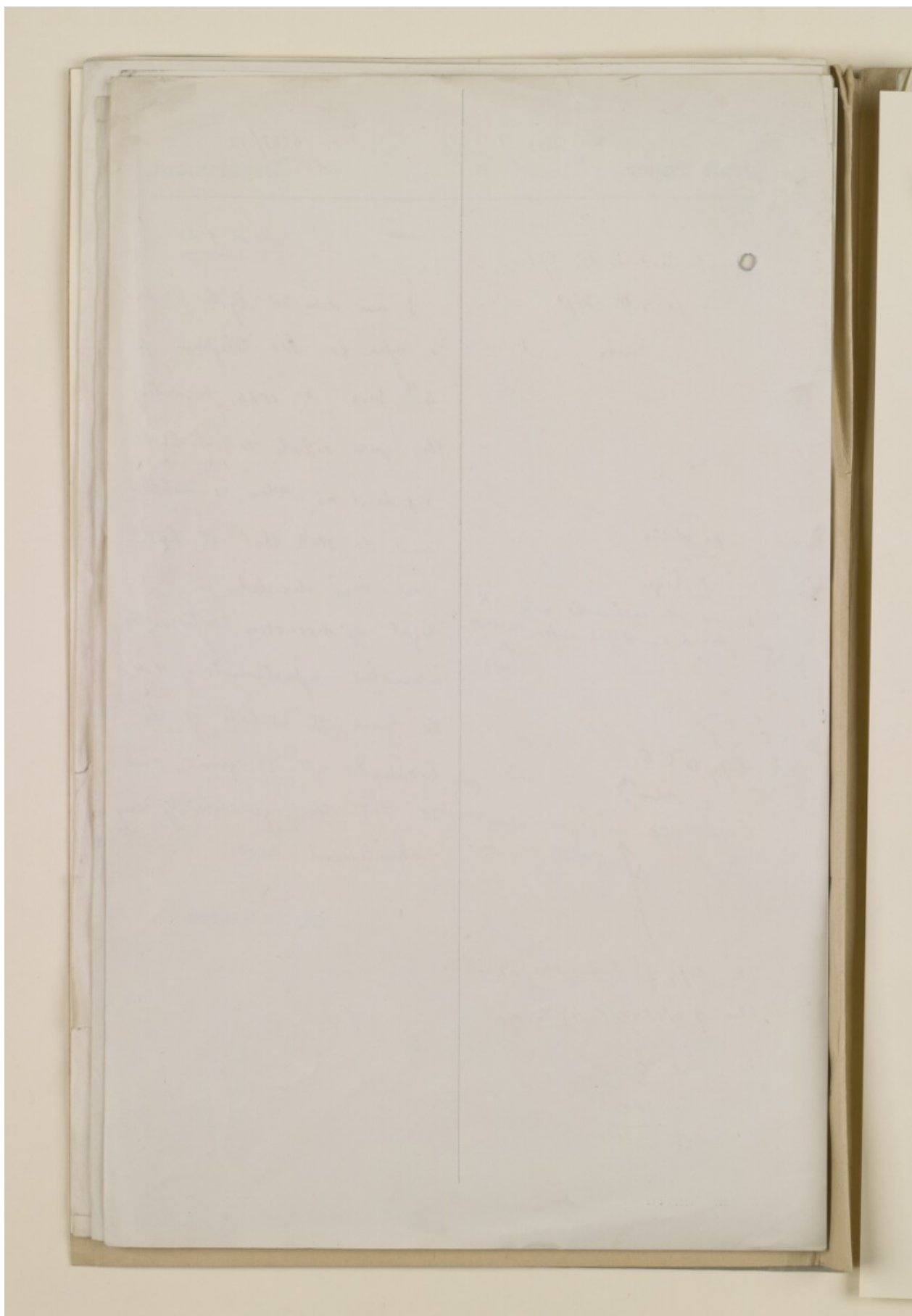
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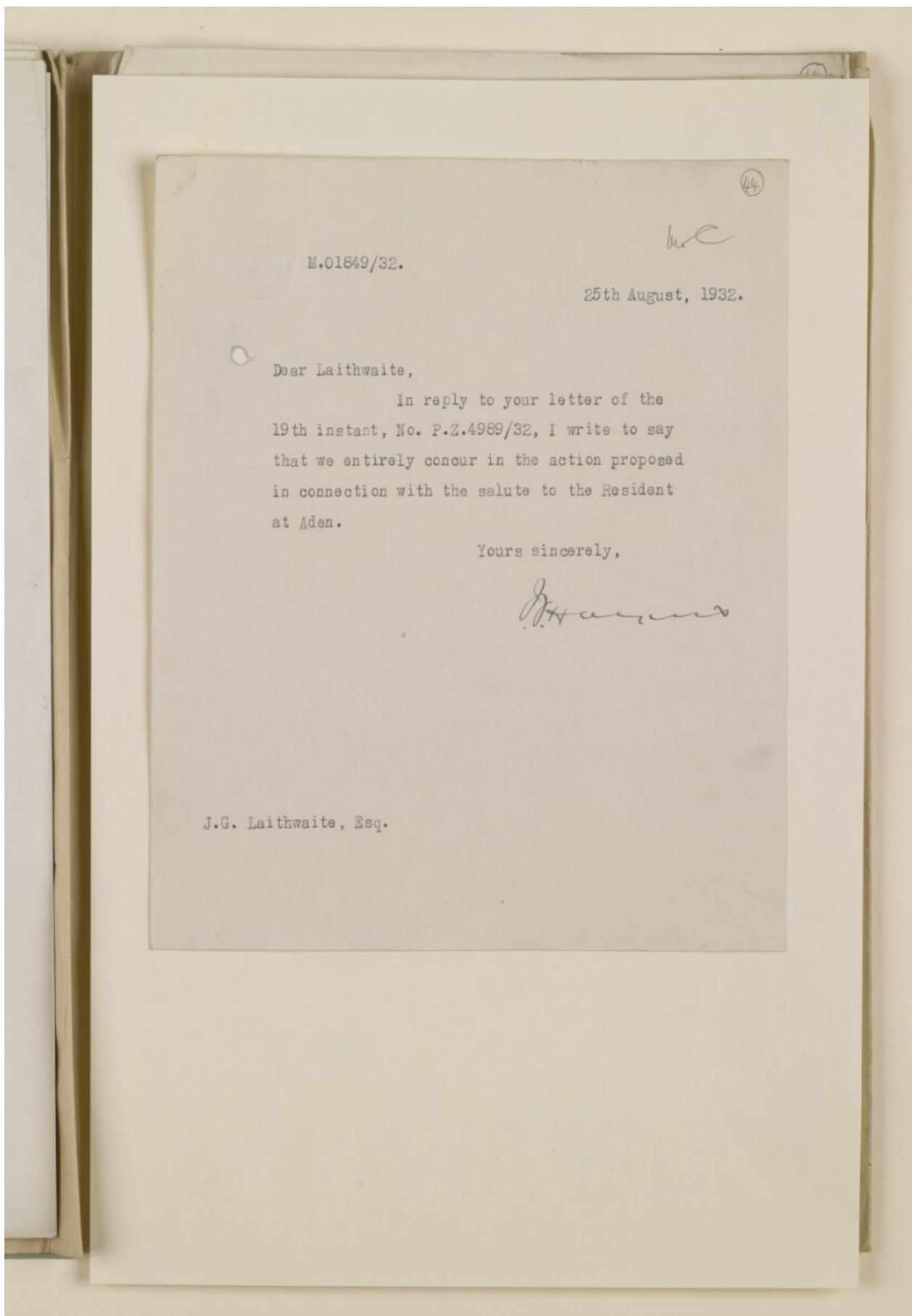
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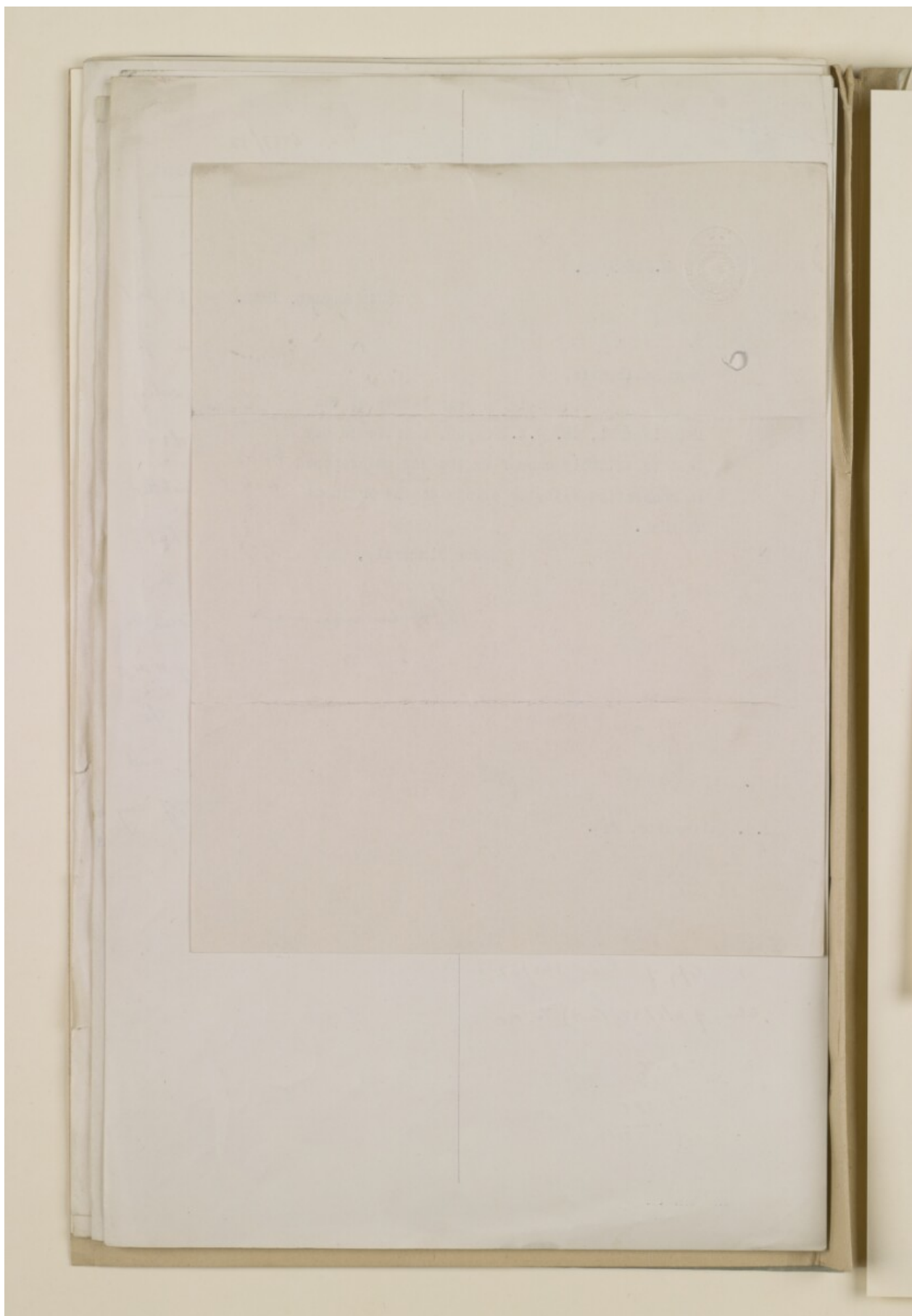
Sir,

I am directed by the S/I for
to refer to his telegram of
4th June, No. 1544, regarding
the gun salute to which the
Resident at Aden is entitled
and to state that it has
now been decided in the
light of discussion between the
interested departments of H.M.G.
to leave the salute of the
Resident at 13 guns and
to let the question of any
enhancement rest.

(Sd.) J. C. WALTON.









INDIA OFFICE,
WHITEHALL, S.W. 1.

BU. on
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P.Z.4989/32.

19th August 1932.

Dear Haynes,

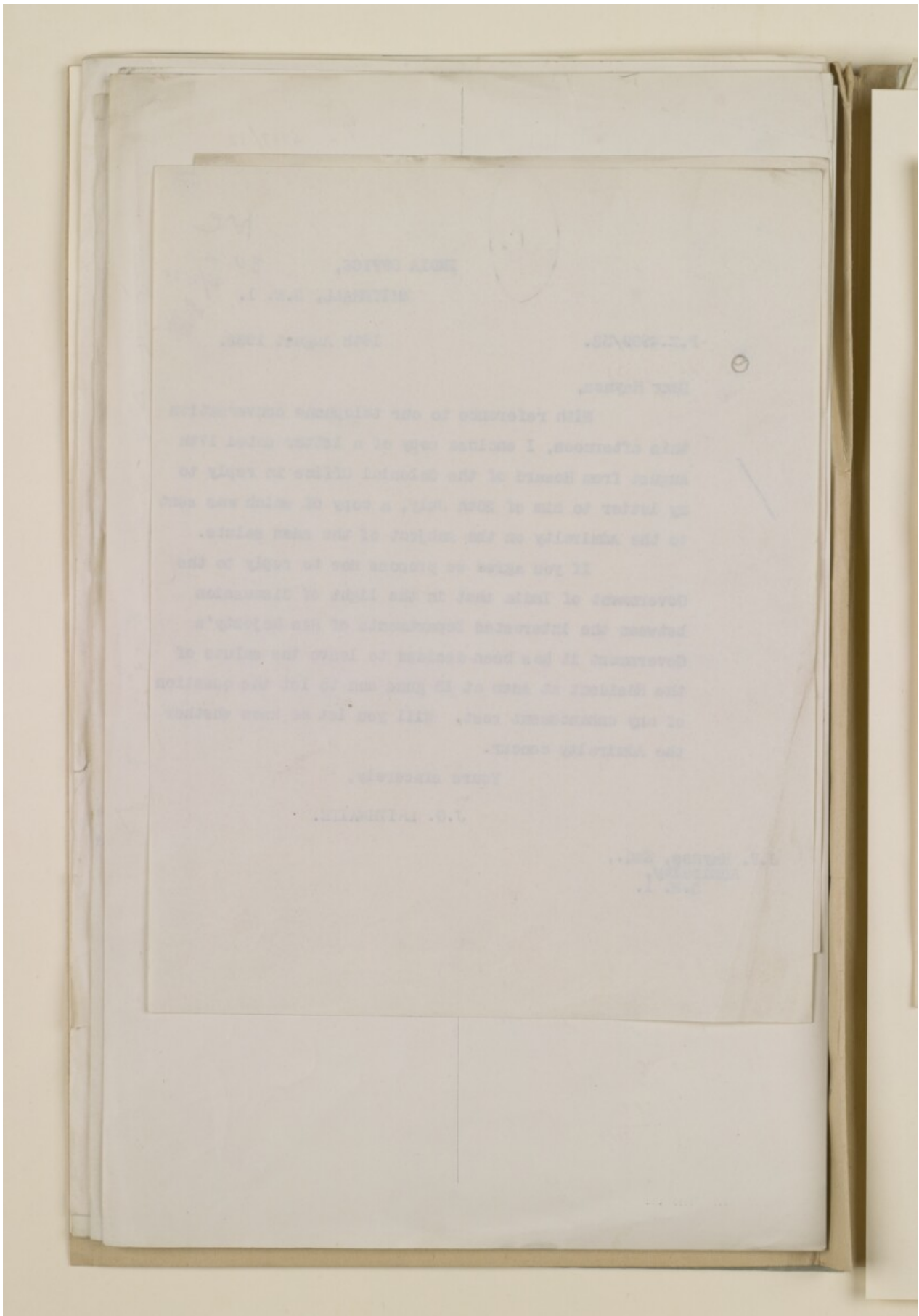
With reference to our telephone conversation this afternoon, I enclose copy of a letter dated 17th August from Howard of the Colonial Office in reply to my letter to him of 20th July, a copy of which was sent to the Admiralty on the subject of the Aden salute.

If you agree we propose now to reply to the Government of India that in the light of discussion between the interested Departments of His Majesty's Government it has been decided to leave the salute of the Resident at Aden at 13 guns and to let the question of any enhancement rest. Will you let me know whether the Admiralty concur.

Yours sincerely,

J.G. LAITHWAITE.

J.F. Haynes, Esq.,
Admiralty,
S.W. 1.





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Downing Street,

17 August, 1932.

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My dear Laithwaite,

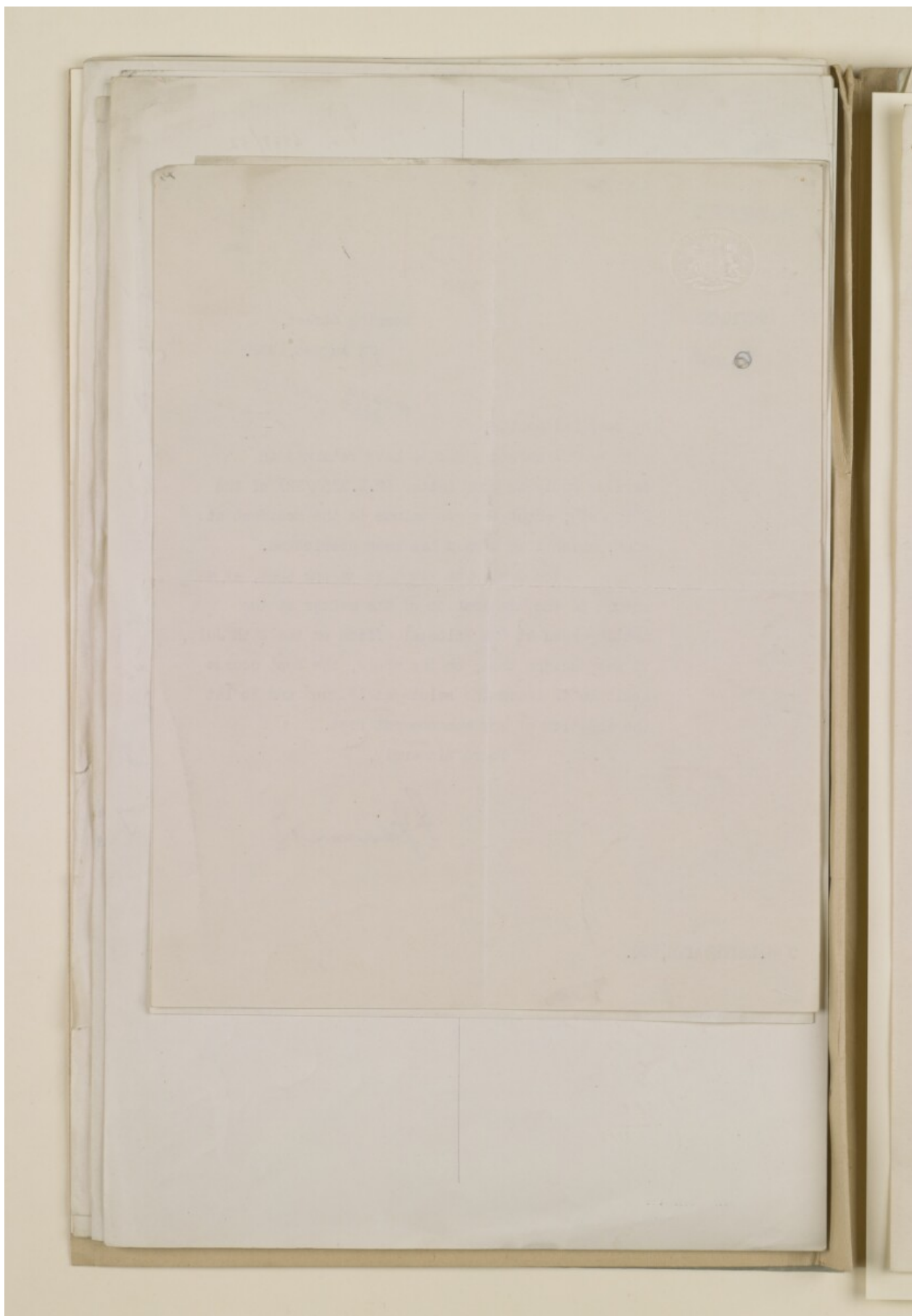
I am sorry not to have returned an earlier reply to your letter (P.Z.3356/32) of the 20th July, about the gun salute to the Resident at Aden, which I am afraid has been overlooked.

You are quite right in saying that, as a result of the examination of the matter at the meeting held at the Colonial Office on the 20th July, it was decided that, on the whole, the best course would be to leave the salute at 13 guns and to let the question of any enhancement rest.

Yours sincerely,

F. J. Howard

J. G. LAITHWAITE, ESQ.

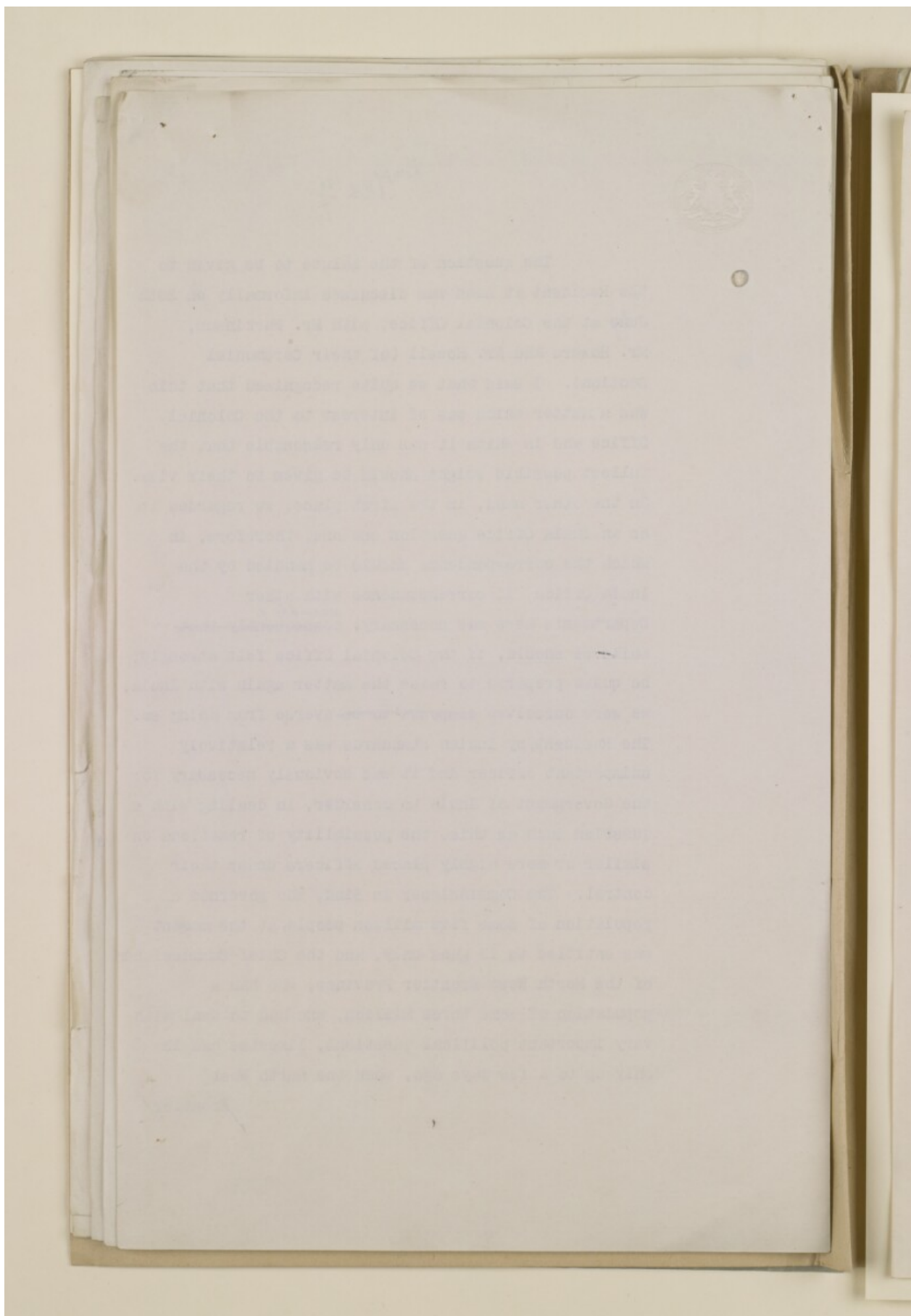




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The question of the salute to be given to the Resident at Aden was discussed informally on 20th June at the Colonial Office, with Mr. Parkinson, Mr. Howard and Mr. Howell (of their Ceremonial Section). I said that we quite recognised that this was a matter which was of interest to the Colonial Office and in which it was only reasonable that the fullest possible weight should be given to their view. On the other hand, in the first place, we regarded it as an India Office question and one, therefore, in which the correspondence should be handled by the India Office, if correspondence with other Departments here was necessary; ^{secondly,} ~~consequently that~~ while we should, if the Colonial Office felt strongly, be quite prepared to raise the matter again with India, we were ourselves ~~disposed to be~~ averse from doing so. The Resident, by Indian standards, was a relatively unimportant officer and it was obviously necessary for the Government of India to consider, in dealing with a question such as this, the possibility of reactions on similar or more highly placed officers under their control. The Commissioner in Sind, who governed a population of some five million people, at the moment was entitled to 13 guns only, and the Chief Commissioner of the North West Frontier Province, who had a population of some three million, and had to deal with very important political questions, likewise had 13 only up to a few days ago, when the North West Frontier/





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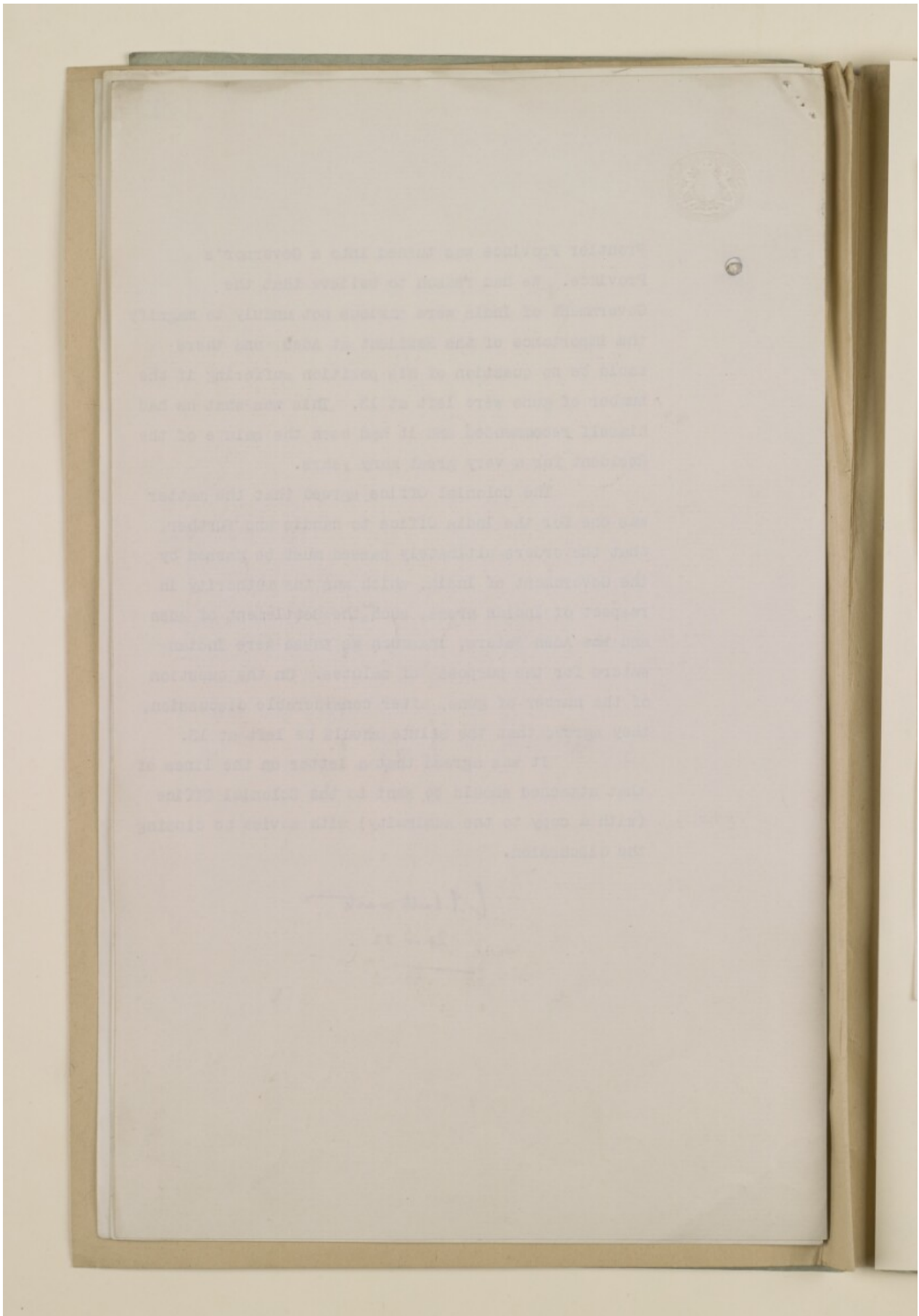
Frontier Province was turned into a Governor's Province. We had reason to believe that the Government of India were anxious not unduly to magnify the importance of the Resident at Aden, and there could be no question of his position suffering if the number of guns were left at 13. This was what he had himself recommended and it had been the salute of the Resident for a very great many years.

The Colonial Office agreed that the matter was one for the India Office to handle and, further, that the orders ultimately passed must be passed by the Government of India, which was the authority in respect of Indian areas, such^{as} the Settlement of Aden and ~~the~~ Aden Waters, inasmuch as these were Indian waters for the purpose of salutes. On the question of the number of guns, after considerable discussion, they agreed that the salute should be left at 13.

It was agreed that a letter on the lines of that attached should be sent to the Colonial Office (with a copy to the Admiralty) with a view to closing the discussion.

L. J. Haithwaite

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INDIA OFFICE,

WHITEHALL, S.W. 1.

20th July 1932.

My dear Howard,

I write with reference to our recent correspondence on the subject of the salute to be accorded to the Resident at Aden, to put on record that we discussed this question in all its bearings at a meeting to-day.

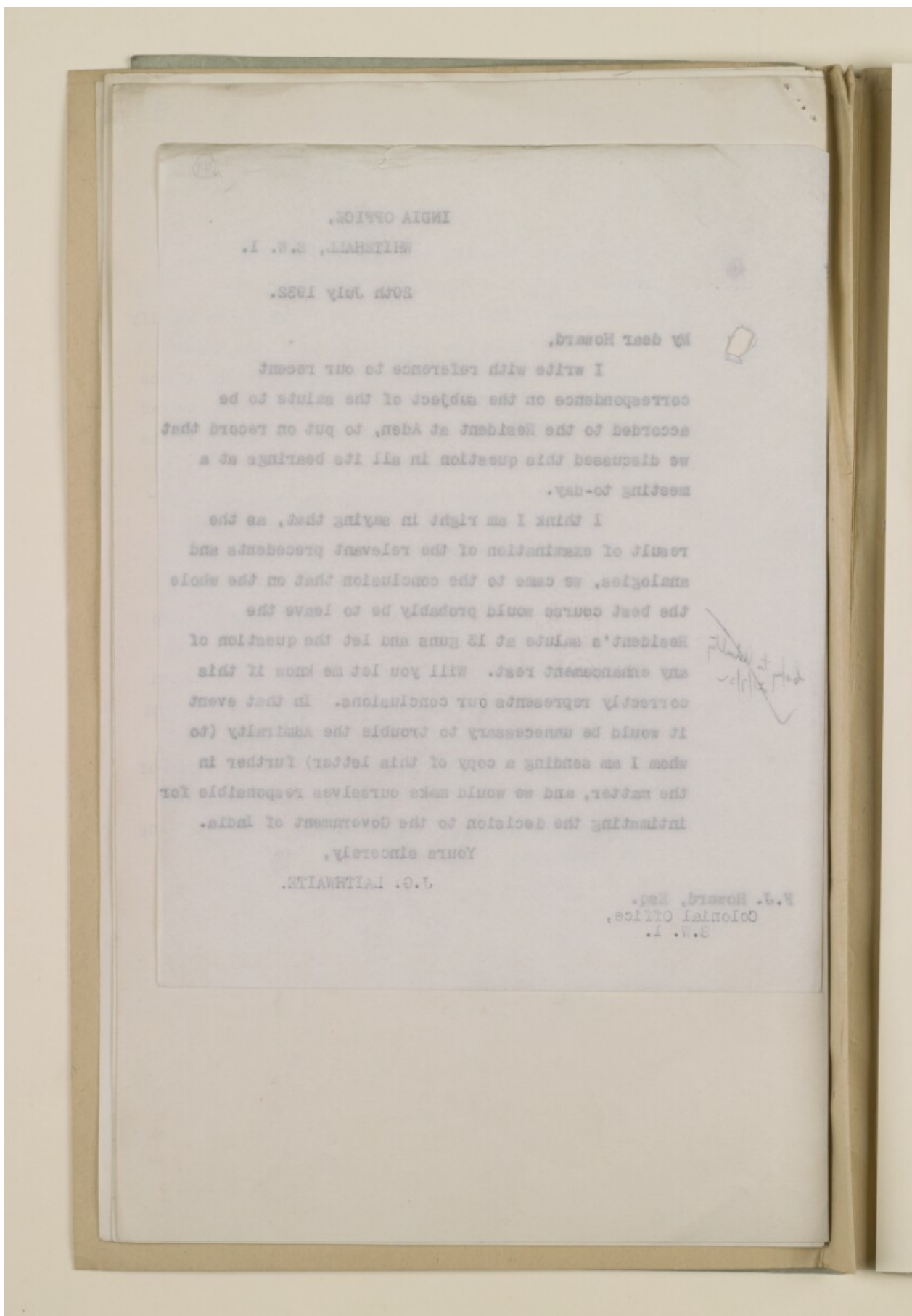
I think I am right in saying that, as the result of examination of the relevant precedents and analogies, we came to the conclusion that on the whole the best course would probably be to leave the Resident's salute at 13 guns and let the question of any enhancement rest. Will you let me know if this correctly represents our conclusions. In that event it would be unnecessary to trouble the Admiralty (to whom I am sending a copy of this letter) further in the matter, and we would make ourselves responsible for intimating the decision to the Government of India.

Yours sincerely,

J.G. LAITHWAITE.

*Copy to Admiralty
21/7/32*

F.J. Howard, Esq.
Colonial Office,
S.W. 1.





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Downing Street,

11 July, 1932.

My dear Laithwaite,

With reference to Clauson's letter P.2.3240/32 of the 1st June and telephone conversation with Parkinson on the 3rd June as to the salute to be accorded to the Resident at Aden, we are still awaiting the receipt of the official reply from the India Office to our letter of the 28th May.

In the meantime we have received from the Admiralty a copy of their letter to you of the 3rd June, and I enclose a copy of a letter which we have sent to that Department, setting out the Colonial Office view.

Even though the correspondence about the definition of Indian waters makes the Government of India the authority as to the salutes to be fired in the waters of Aden, it must be remembered that the Resident is the
Officer

J. G. LAITHWAITE, ESQ.,

To Adm. July. 11



Officer of His Majesty's Government in regard to military and political affairs. It seems clear to us therefore, that the authority of the Government of India should only be exercised in his case with the concurrence of His Majesty's Government.

You may remember too, that it was agreed between the India Office and the Colonial Office that the Resident should occupy in relation to His Majesty's Government the position of an ordinary Colonial Governor.

In view of these considerations and of the facts stated in our letter to the Admiralty, we hope the India Office will be able to reconsider the matter.

You will remember that the telegram from the Government of India, a copy of which was enclosed in the India Office letter of the 23rd May, did not rule out the possibility of a 15 gun salute to the Resident.

Yours sincerely,

T. J. Howard



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Sir,

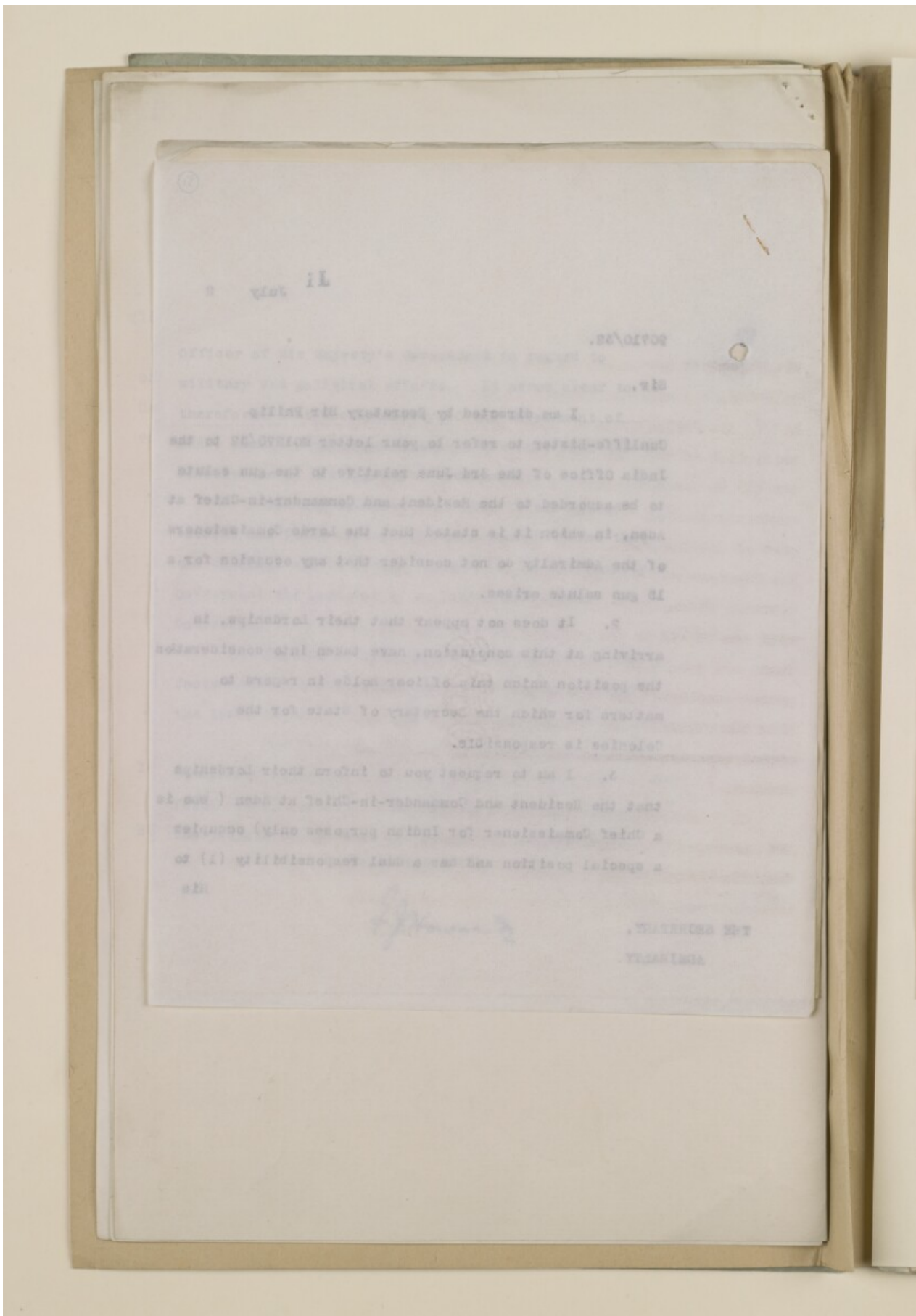
I am directed by Secretary Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister to refer to your letter H01275/32 to the India Office of the 3rd June relative to the gun salute to be accorded to the Resident and Commander-in-Chief at Aden, in which it is stated that the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty do not consider that any occasion for a 15 gun salute arises.

2. It does not appear that their Lordships, in arriving at this conclusion, have taken into consideration the position which this officer holds in regard to matters for which the Secretary of State for the Colonies is responsible.

3. I am to request you to inform their Lordships that the Resident and Commander-in-Chief at Aden (who is a Chief Commissioner for Indian purposes only) occupies a special position and has a dual responsibility (1) to

His

THE SECRETARY,
ADMIRALTY.

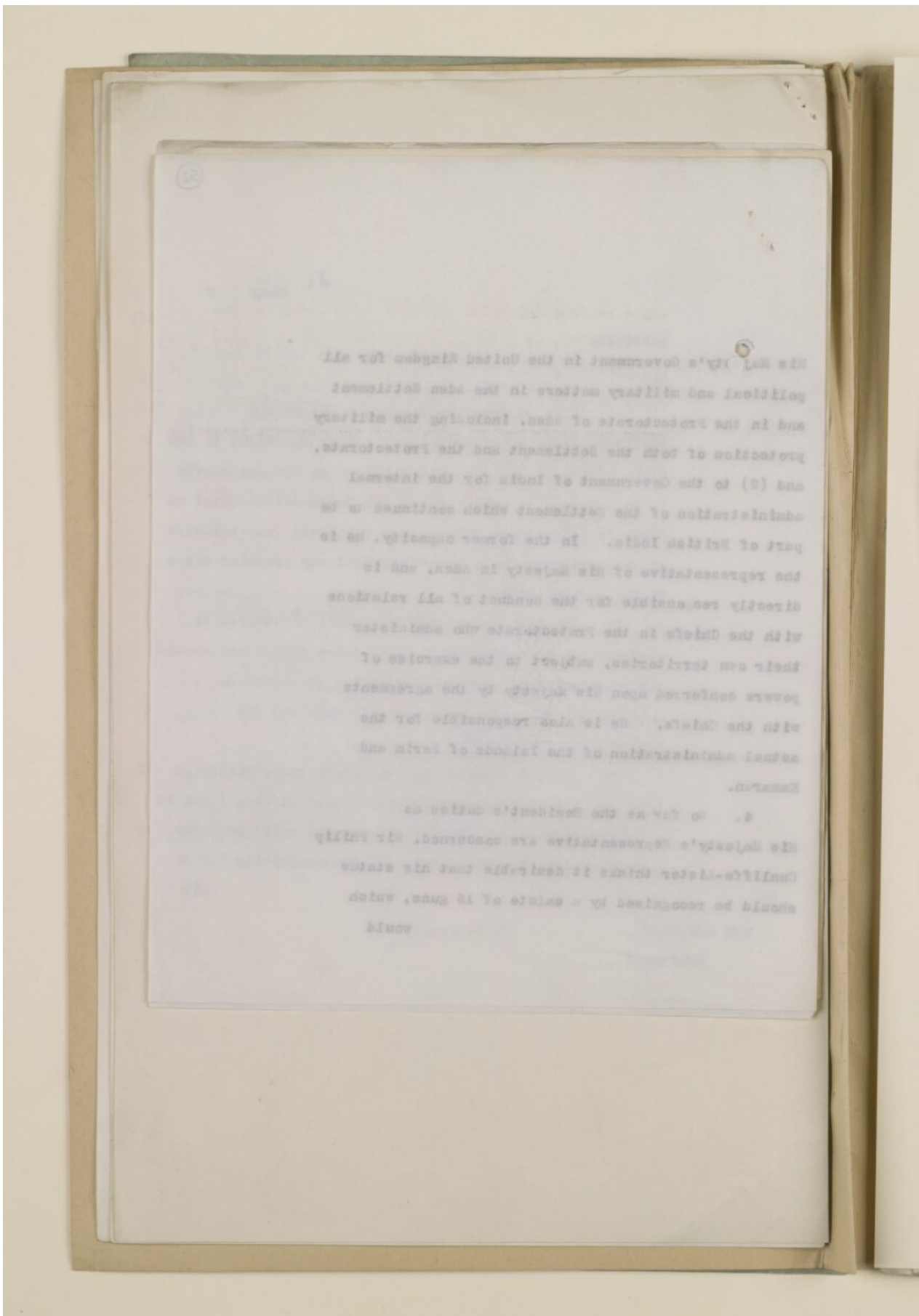




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His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom for all political and military matters in the Aden Settlement and in the Protectorate of Aden, including the military protection of both the Settlement and the Protectorate, and (2) to the Government of India for the internal administration of the Settlement which continues to be part of British India. In the former capacity, he is the representative of His Majesty in Aden, and is directly responsible for the conduct of all relations with the Chiefs in the Protectorate who administer their own territories, subject to the exercise of powers conferred upon His Majesty by the agreements with the Chiefs. He is also responsible for the actual administration of the Islands of Perim and Kamaran.

4. So far as the Resident's duties as His Majesty's Representative are concerned, Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister thinks it desirable that his status should be recognised by a salute of 15 guns, which
would





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would be accorded under Colonial Regulations to the Administrator of a Protectorate, even though acting in subordination to a Governor or High Commissioner; and he would be glad if, on reconsideration, Their Lordships could see their way to approve of the Resident receiving that salute in future.

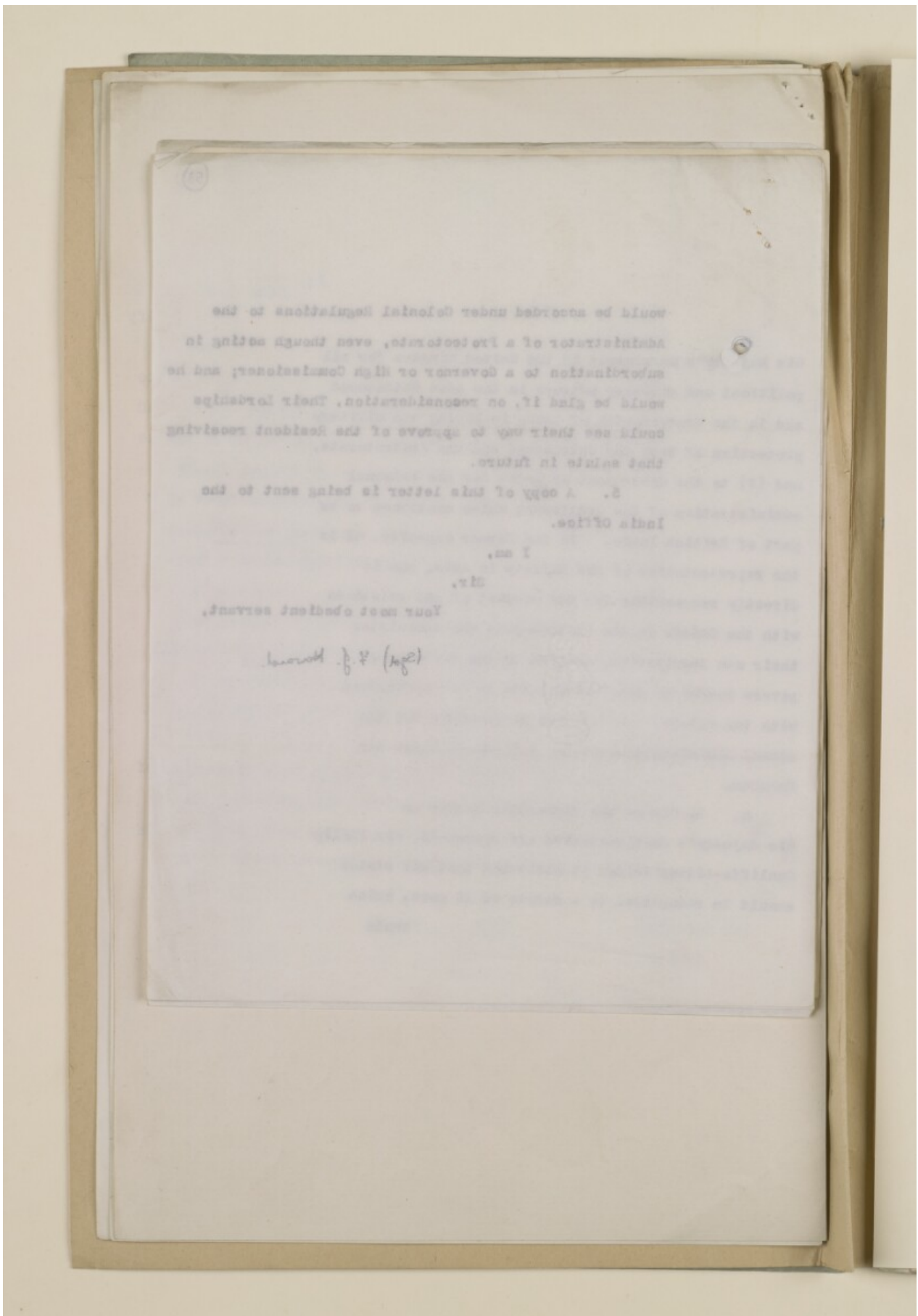
5. A copy of this letter is being sent to the India Office.

I am,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

(Sgd) F. J. Howard.





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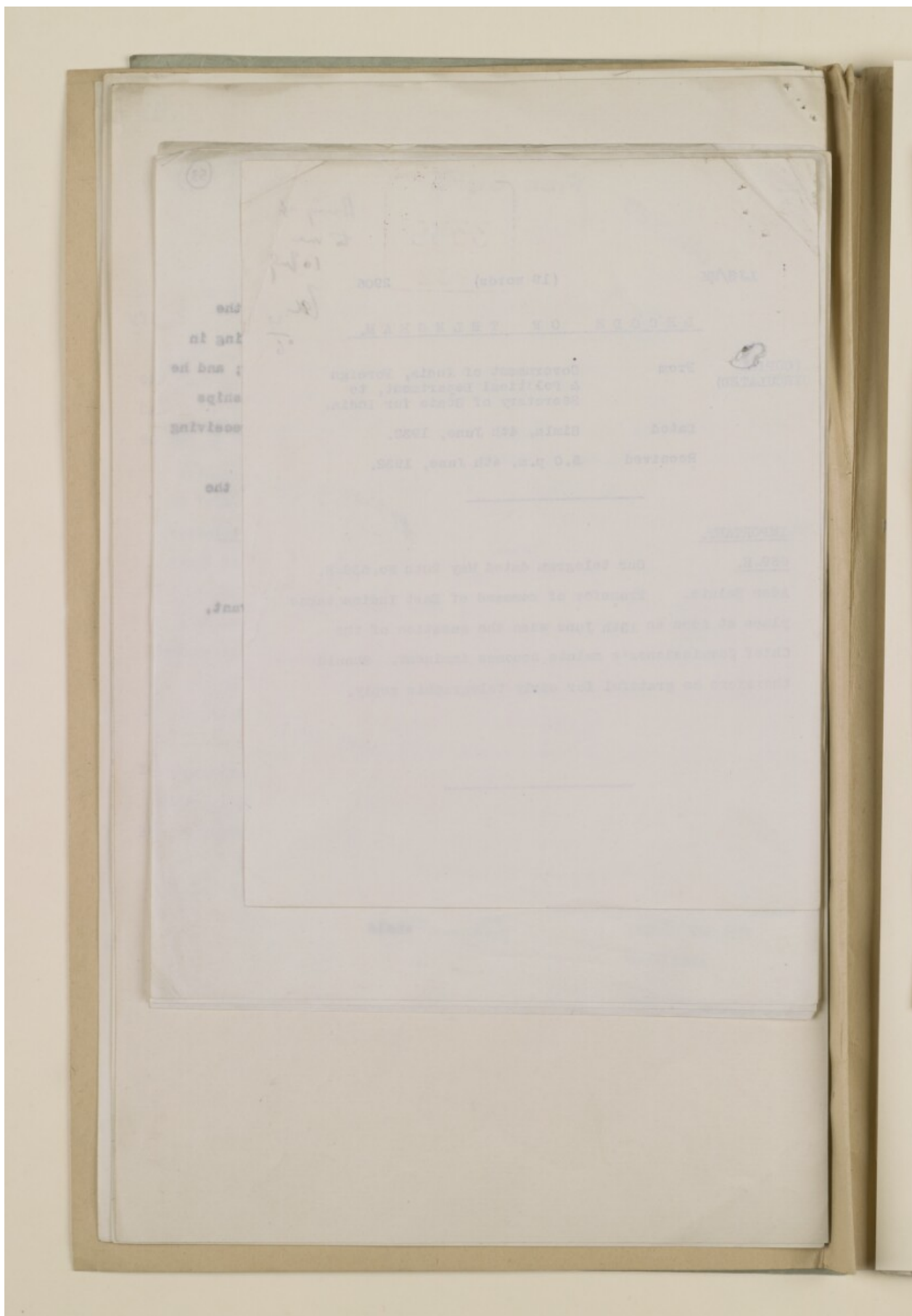
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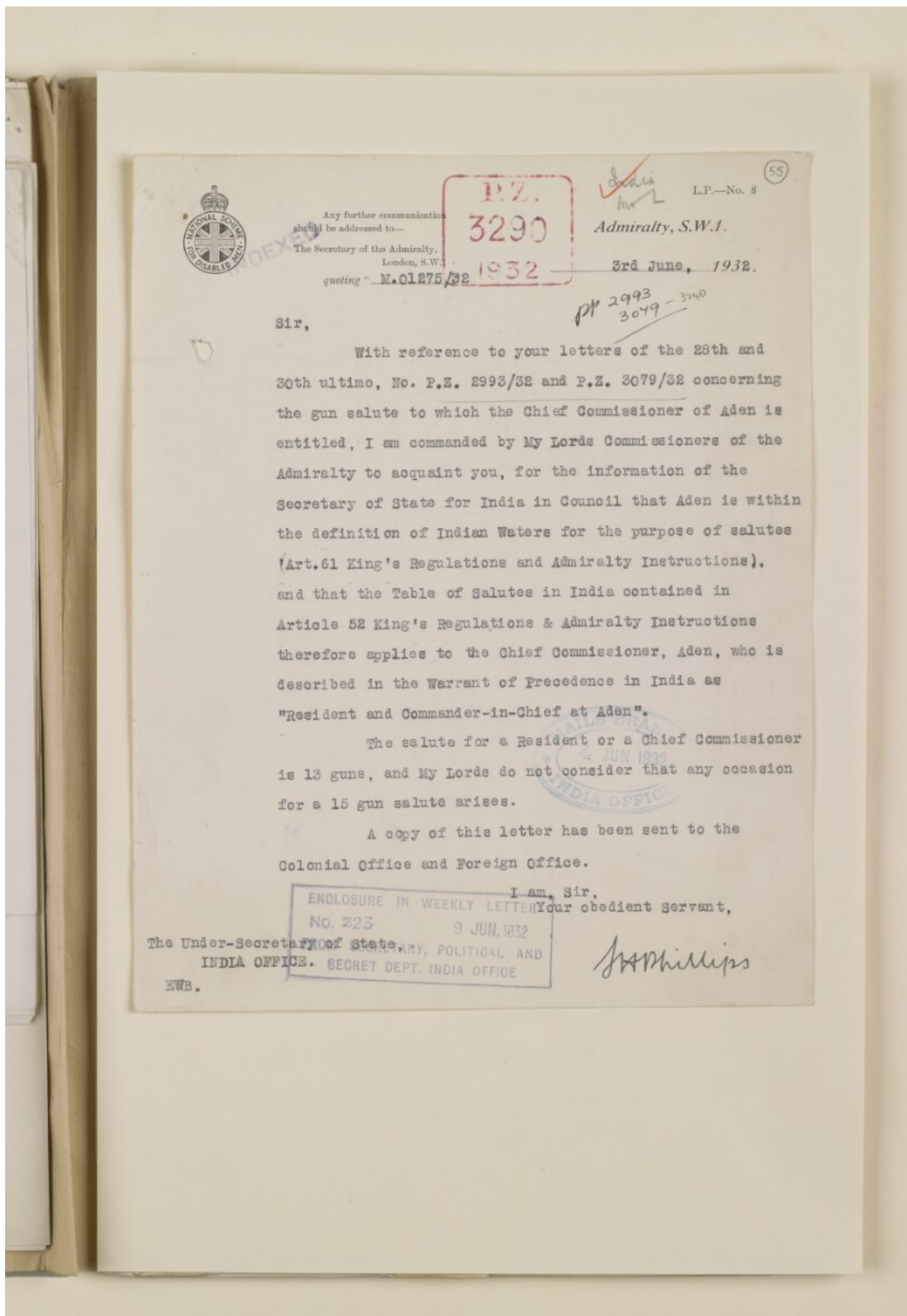
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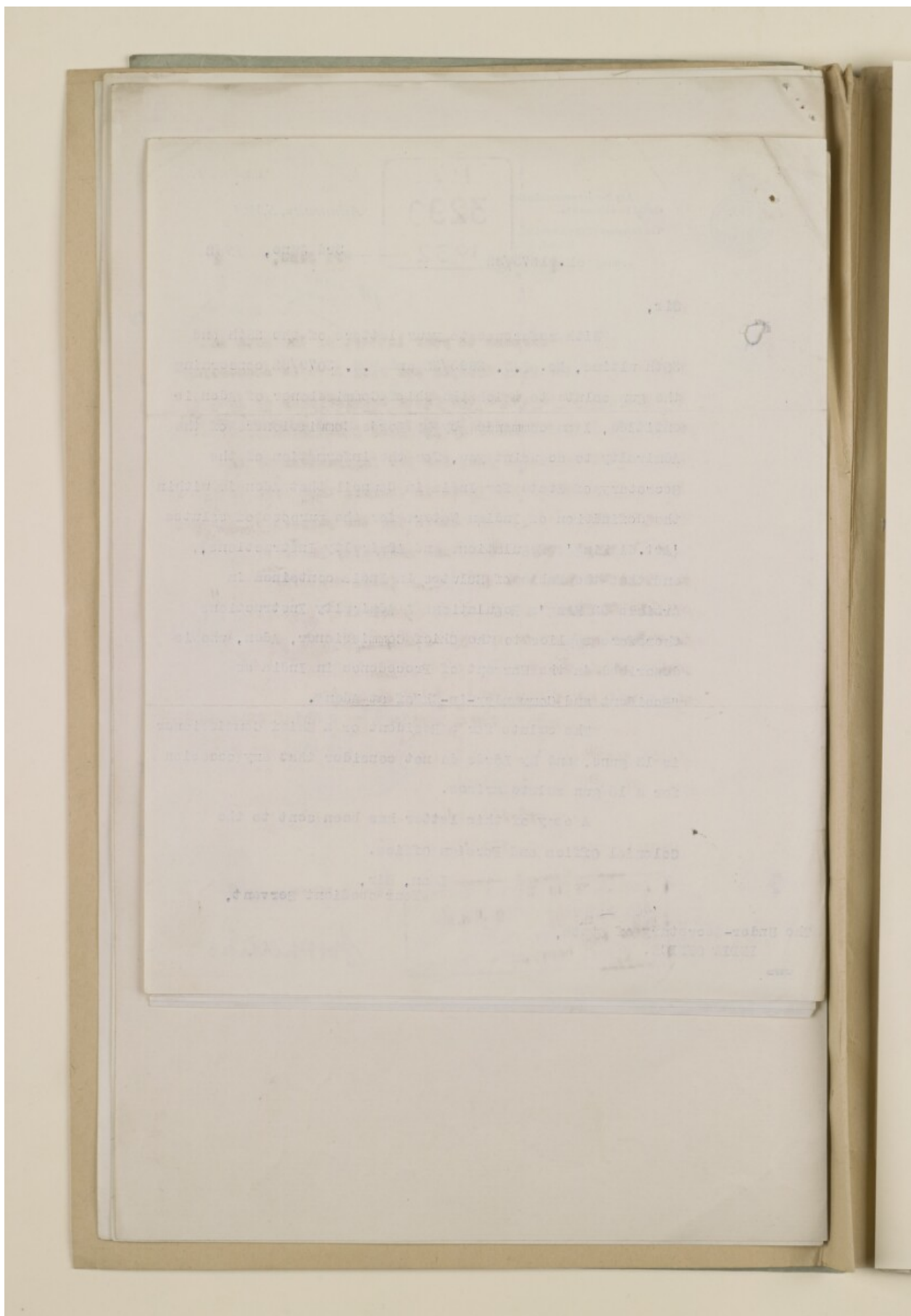
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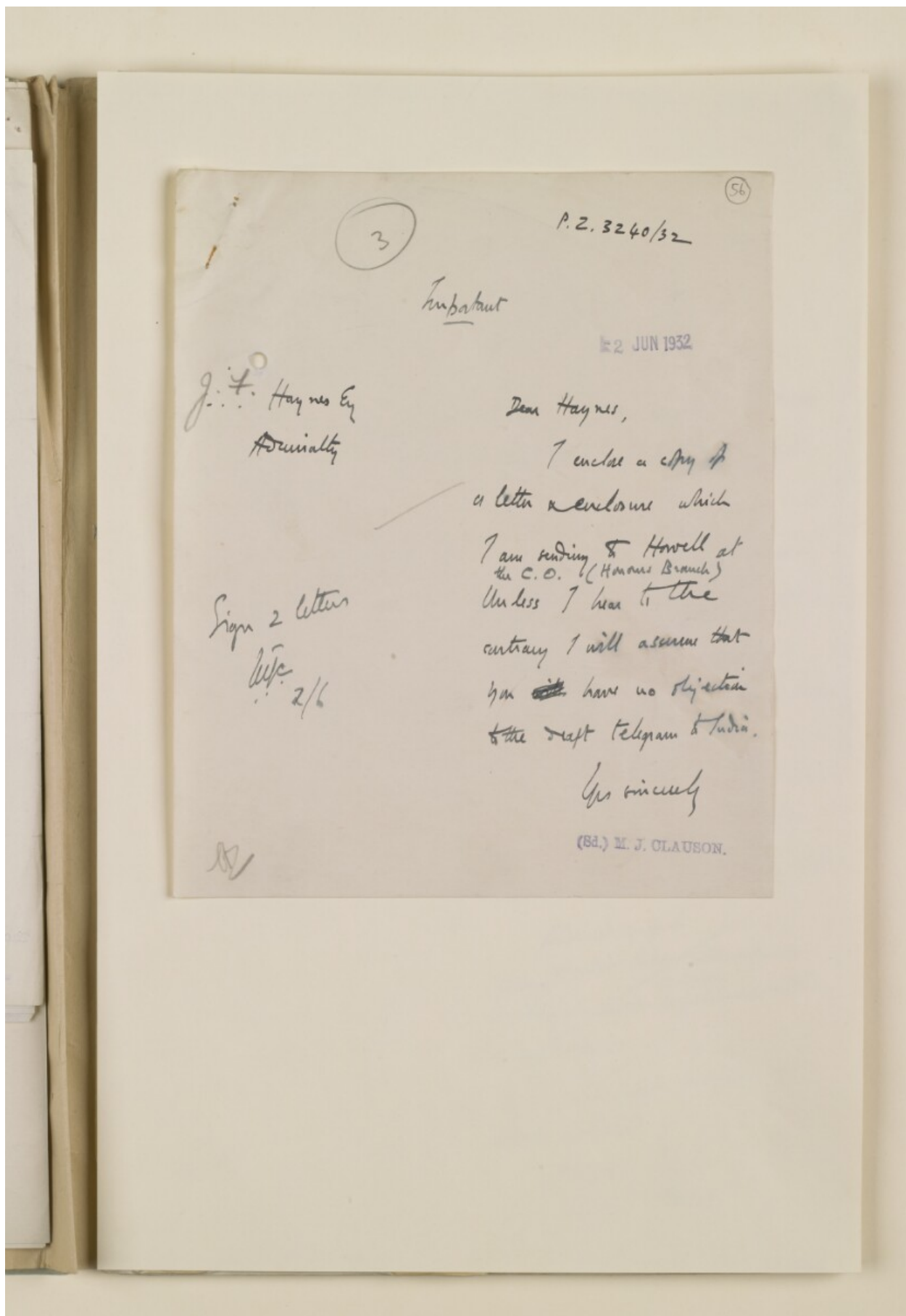
Aden Salute. Transfer of command of East Indies takes place at Aden on 13th June when the question of the Chief Commissioner's salute becomes imminent. Should therefore be grateful for early telegraphic reply.

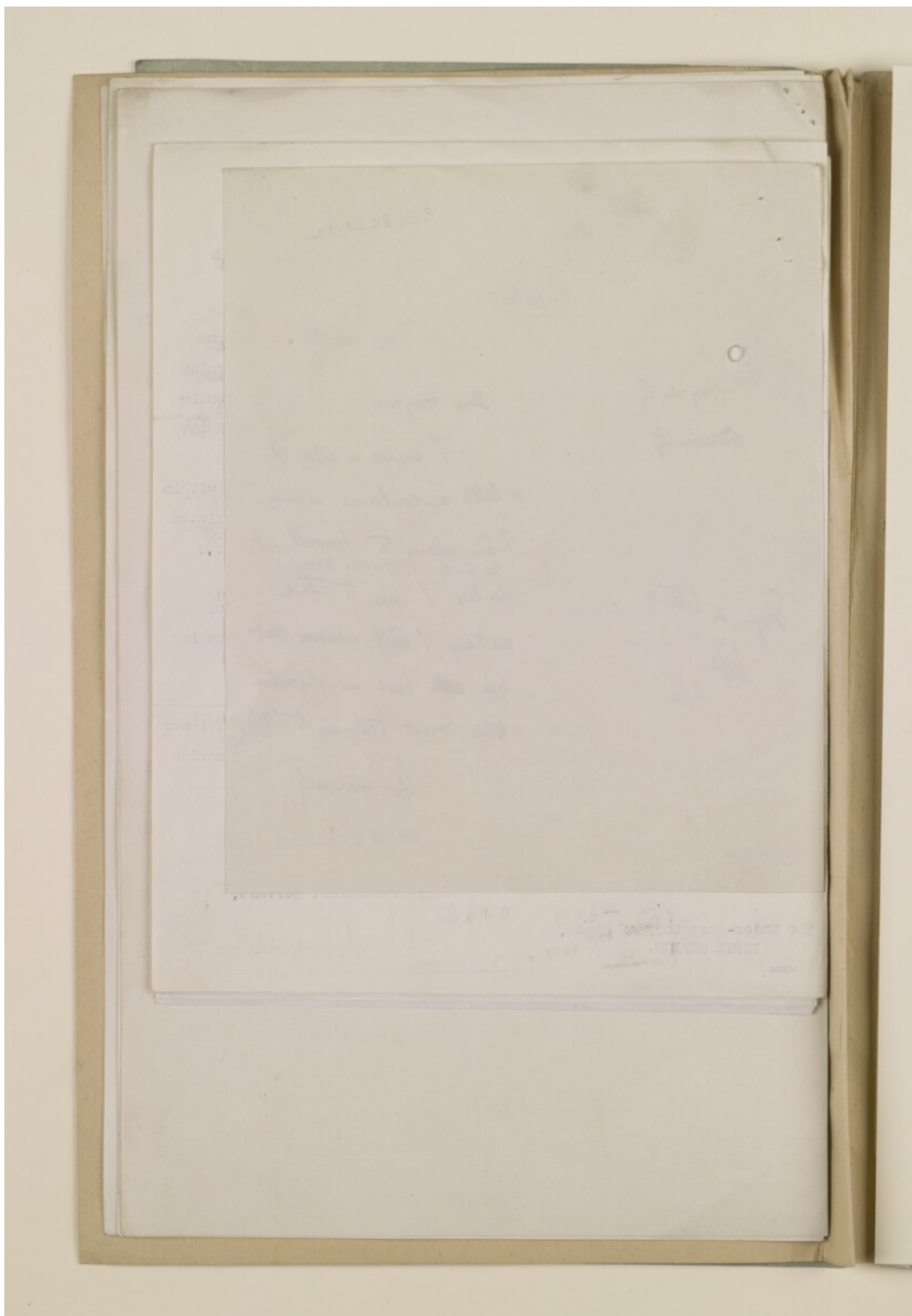
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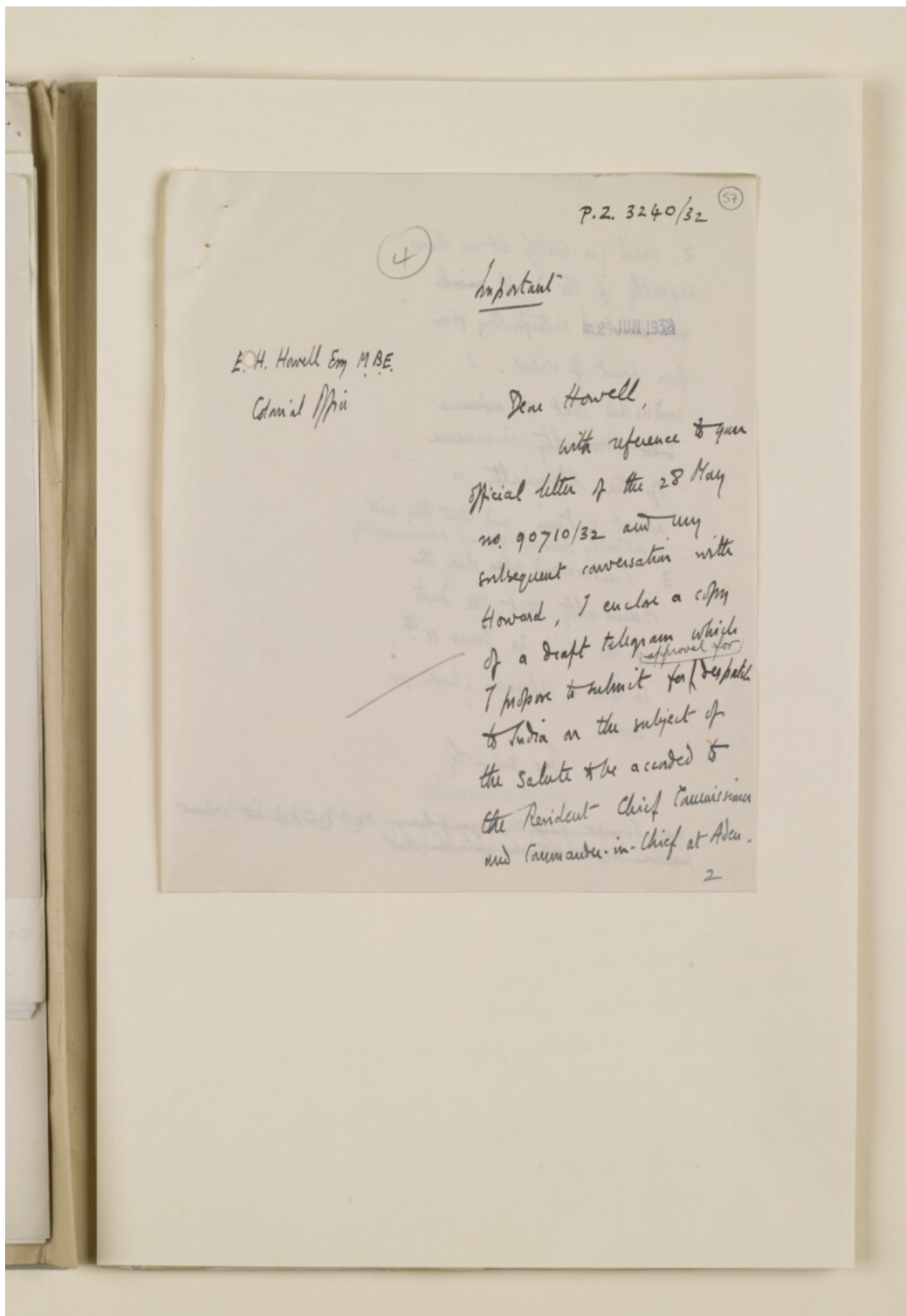














2. Would you kindly let me know
urgently if the draft meets
your point is satisfactory from
your point of view. I
understand that the concurrence
of the Admiralty is
almost certain and that they will
probably favour 13 guns permanently.
3. I understand also from the
Admiralty that the date
of the visit is June 11th,
so that a telegram should go
soon.

Yours sincerely
(Sd.) M. J. CLAUSON.

~~pp. I hope you will be satisfied with the
position to cover both your conditions that~~

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TO

(Retamilla)

Word Code

Draft letter from S of S
to Govt of India

your telegram of 20 May

639-H. ~~Salute for Resident and~~
~~Chief Commissioner~~ Adeu salute.

Matter is under Discussion with
Colonial Office ~~and not held strong~~
~~views and~~ ~~who former are~~
~~not satisfied with present position.~~

but decision cannot be reached at ~~an~~
immediately, ~~and in the circumstances~~
It has been agreed with concurrence
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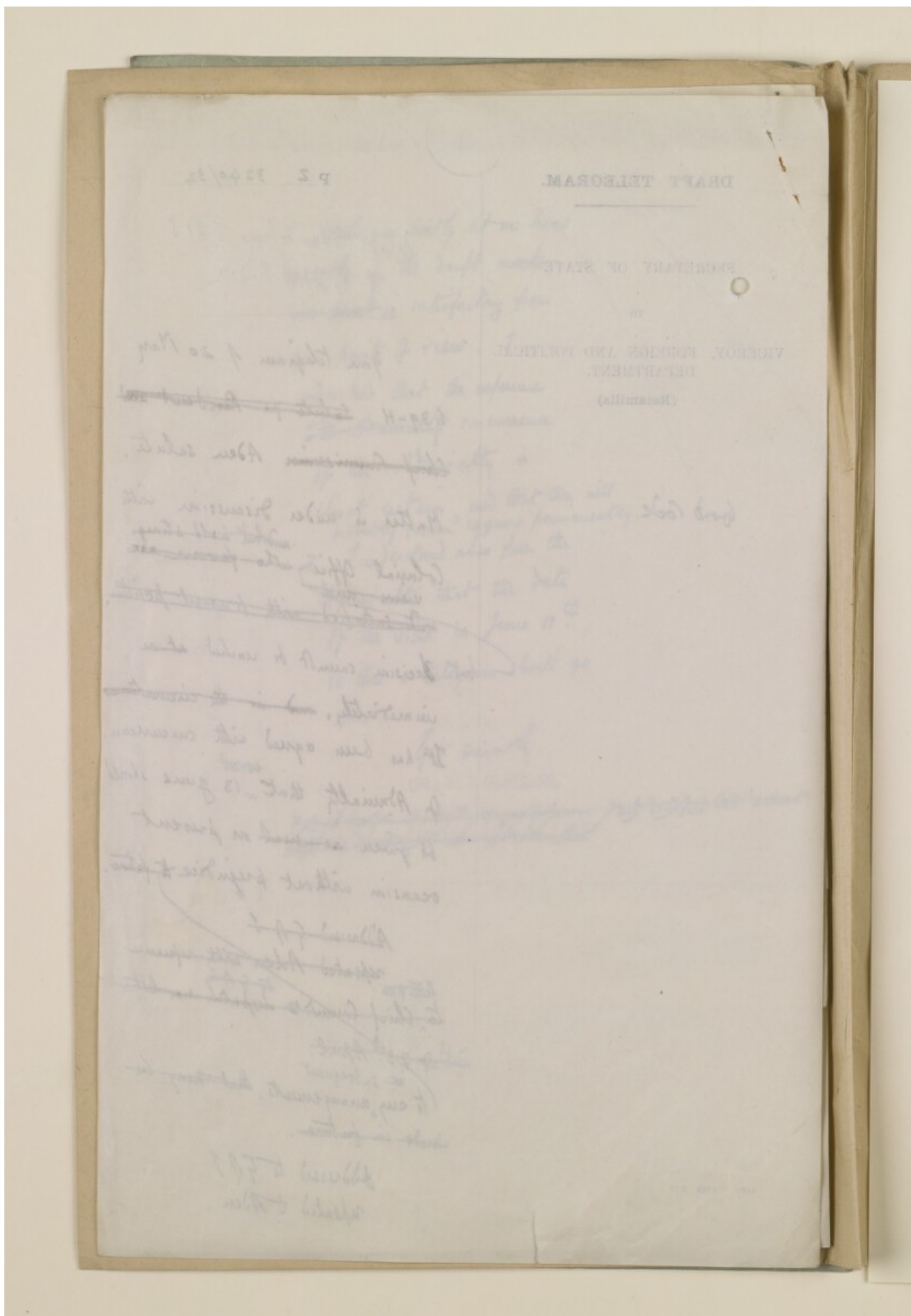
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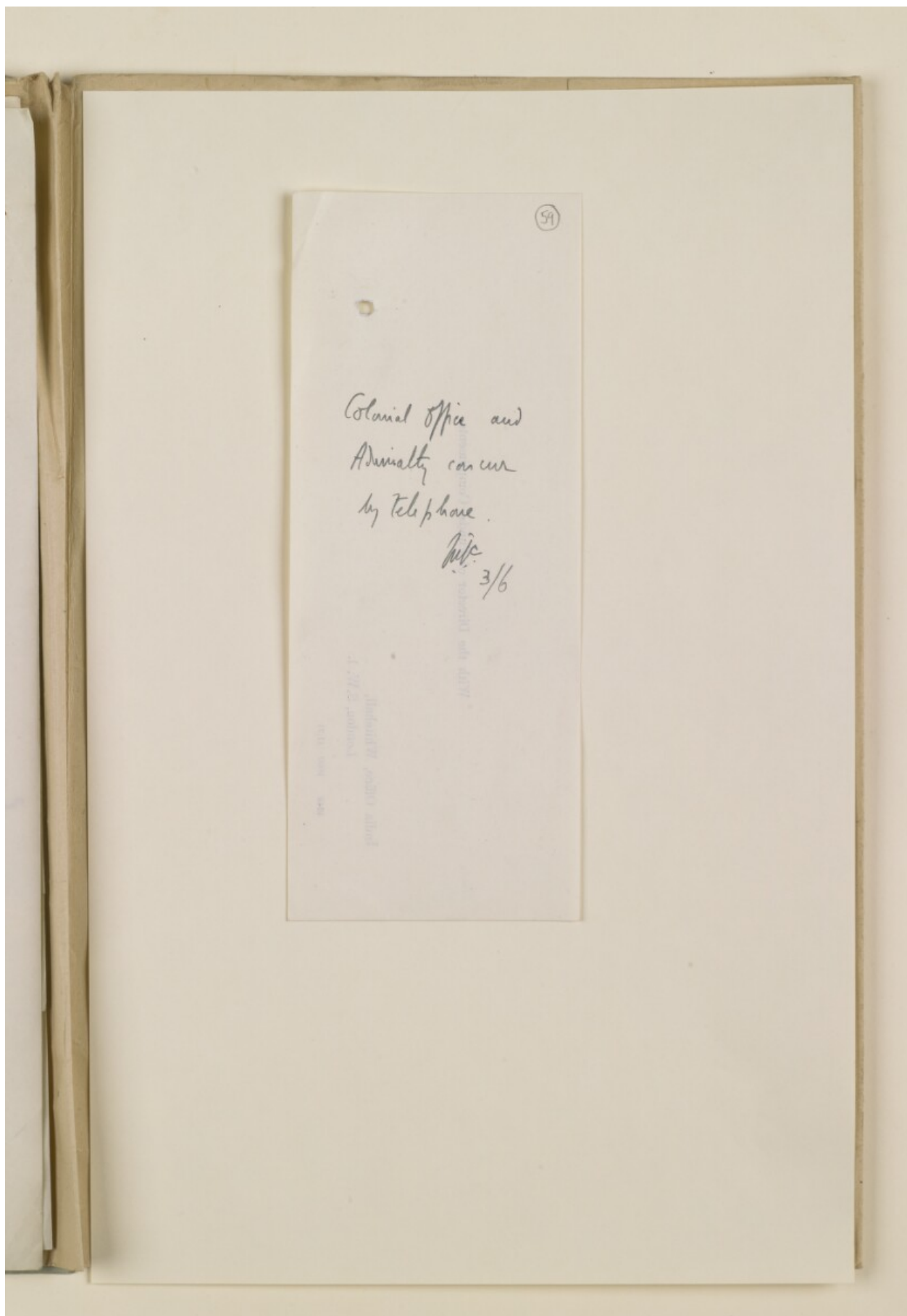
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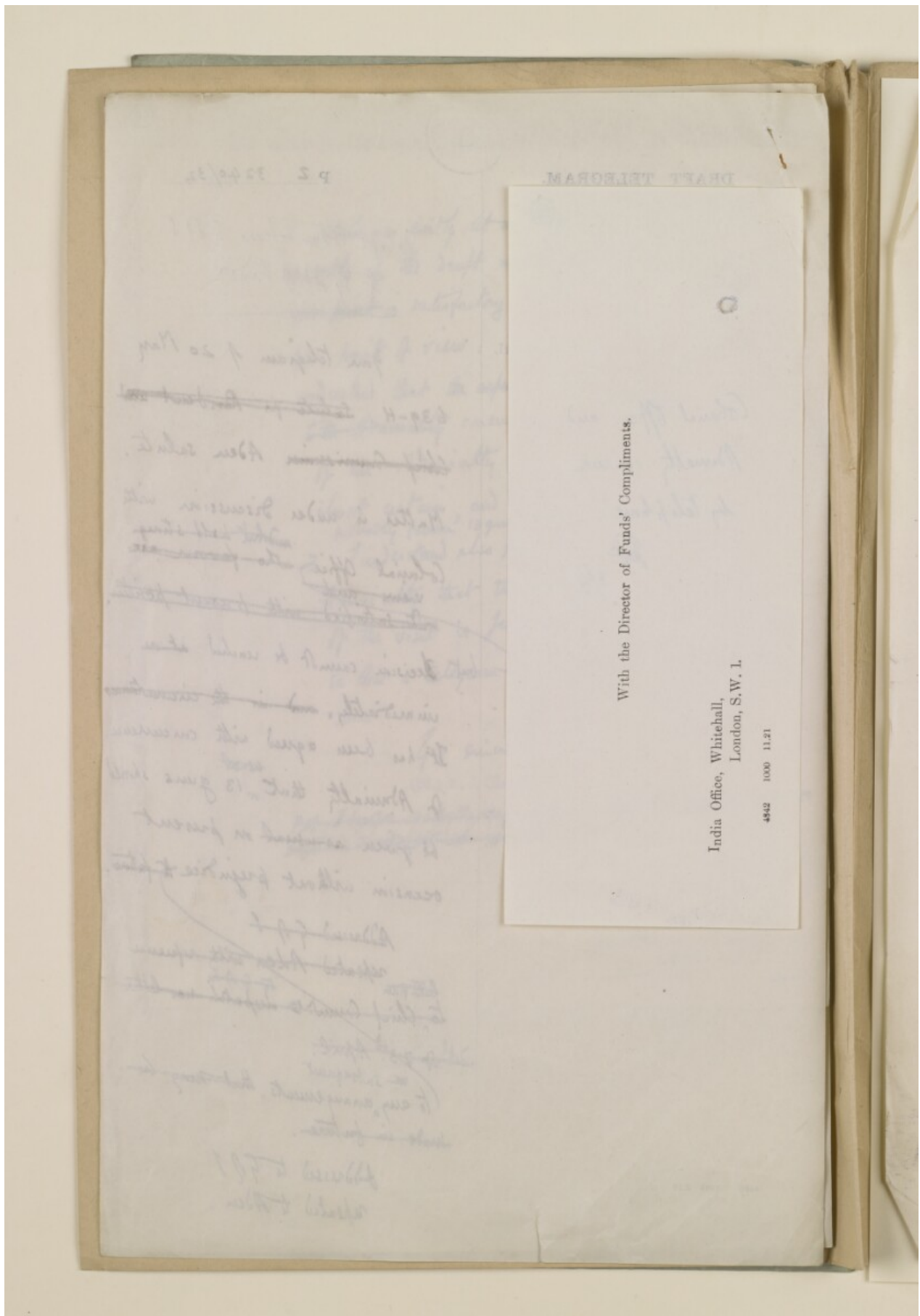
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to any arrangements that may be made in future.

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SECRETARY OF STATE

TO

VICEROY, FOREIGN AND POLITICAL
DEPARTMENT.

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? send. This draft
is agreed with the
C.O. and Admiralty.

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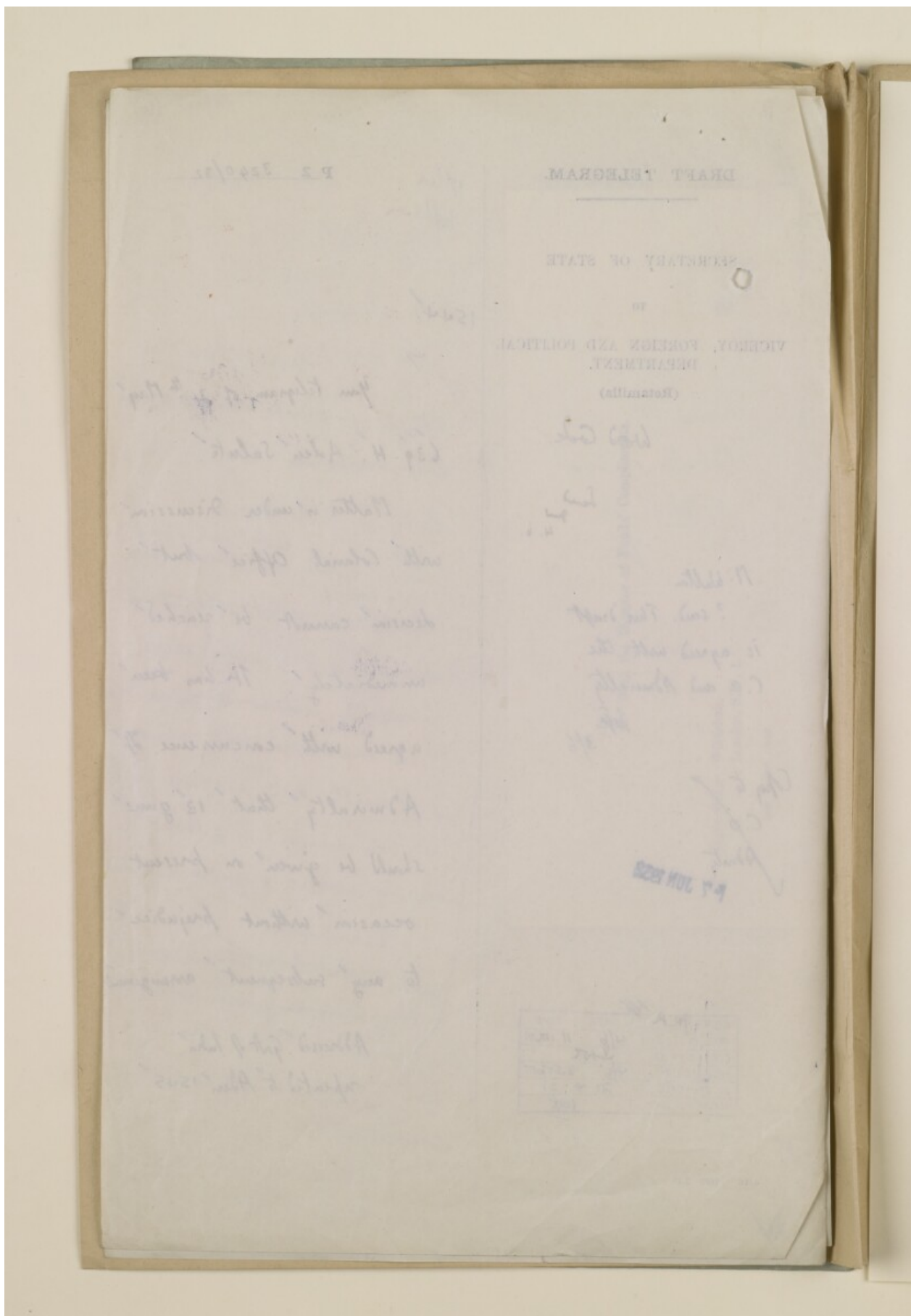
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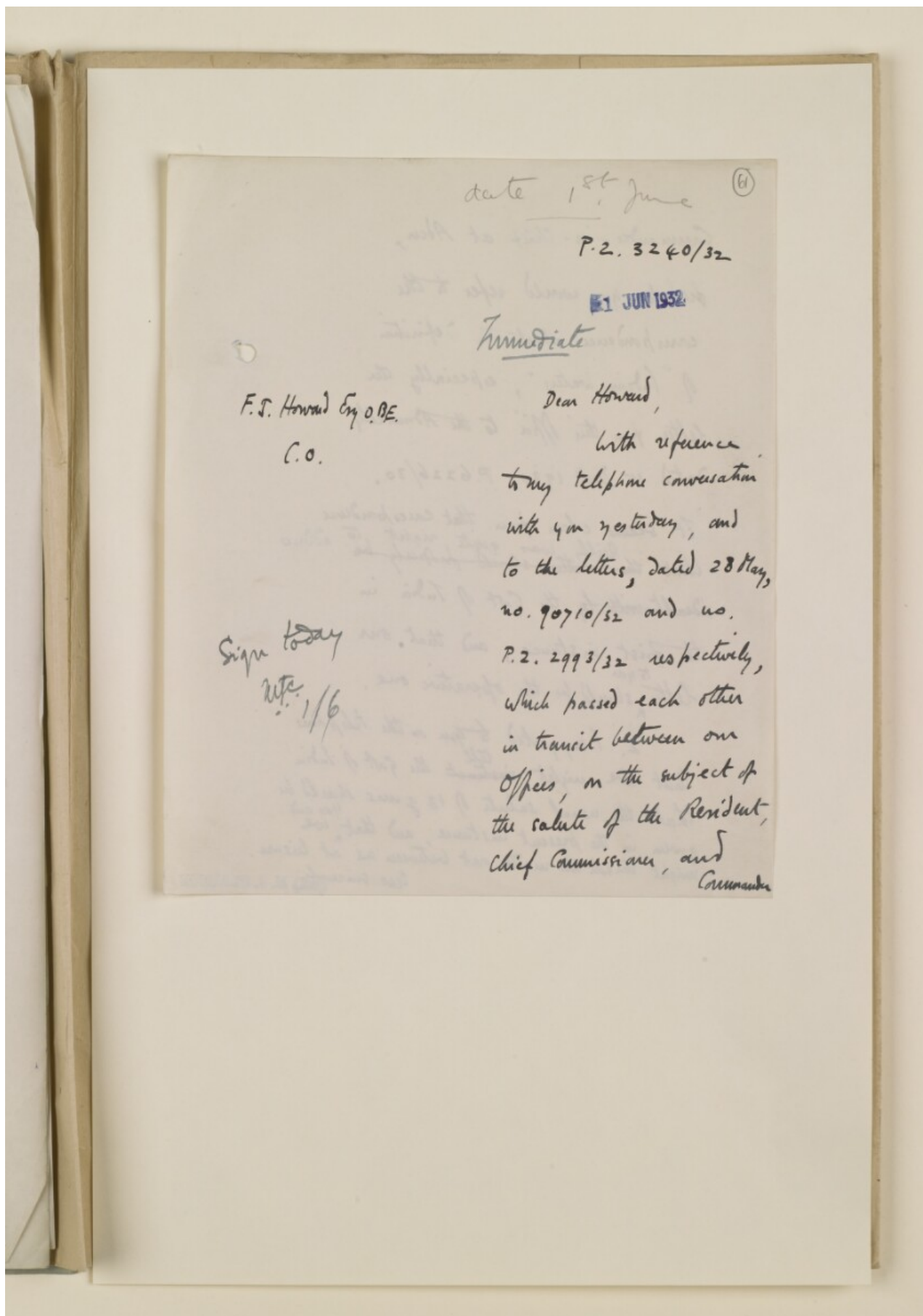
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639. H. 'Aden' Salute.

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with 'Colonial Office' but
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Admiralty that '13 guns'
should be given on present
occasion without prejudice
to any subsequent arrangements.

Addressed 'Gt of India'
repeated to 'Aden' 1545







Commander-in-Chief at Aden,
perhaps you would refer to the
correspondence about the definition
of "Indian waters", especially the
letter from this Office to the Admiralty
dated 15 Dec. 1930, P.6226/30.

It seems clear from that correspondence
that ~~the matter should properly be~~ ^{Reilly was quite right to address}
~~dealt with by the Govt of India in~~
the first instance, and that our
letter ^{to you} should be the operative one.

2. I suggested to you on the telephone
that we might ~~inform~~ ^{tell} the Govt of India
that the usual salute of 13 guns should be
given in the present instance, and that ^{you and} we
might thresh the matter out between us at leisure.

Yrs sincerely
(Sd) M. J. CLAUDEON.



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P.Z.
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1932

hrc (62)
Downing Street,
8i May, 1932.

3142
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Sir,

I am directed by Secretary Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister to acknowledge the receipt of your letter P.Z. 2993/32 of the 28th May regarding the gun salute to which the Chief Commissioner of Aden is entitled, and in this connection, to refer to the letter from this Department of the same date (No.90710/32).

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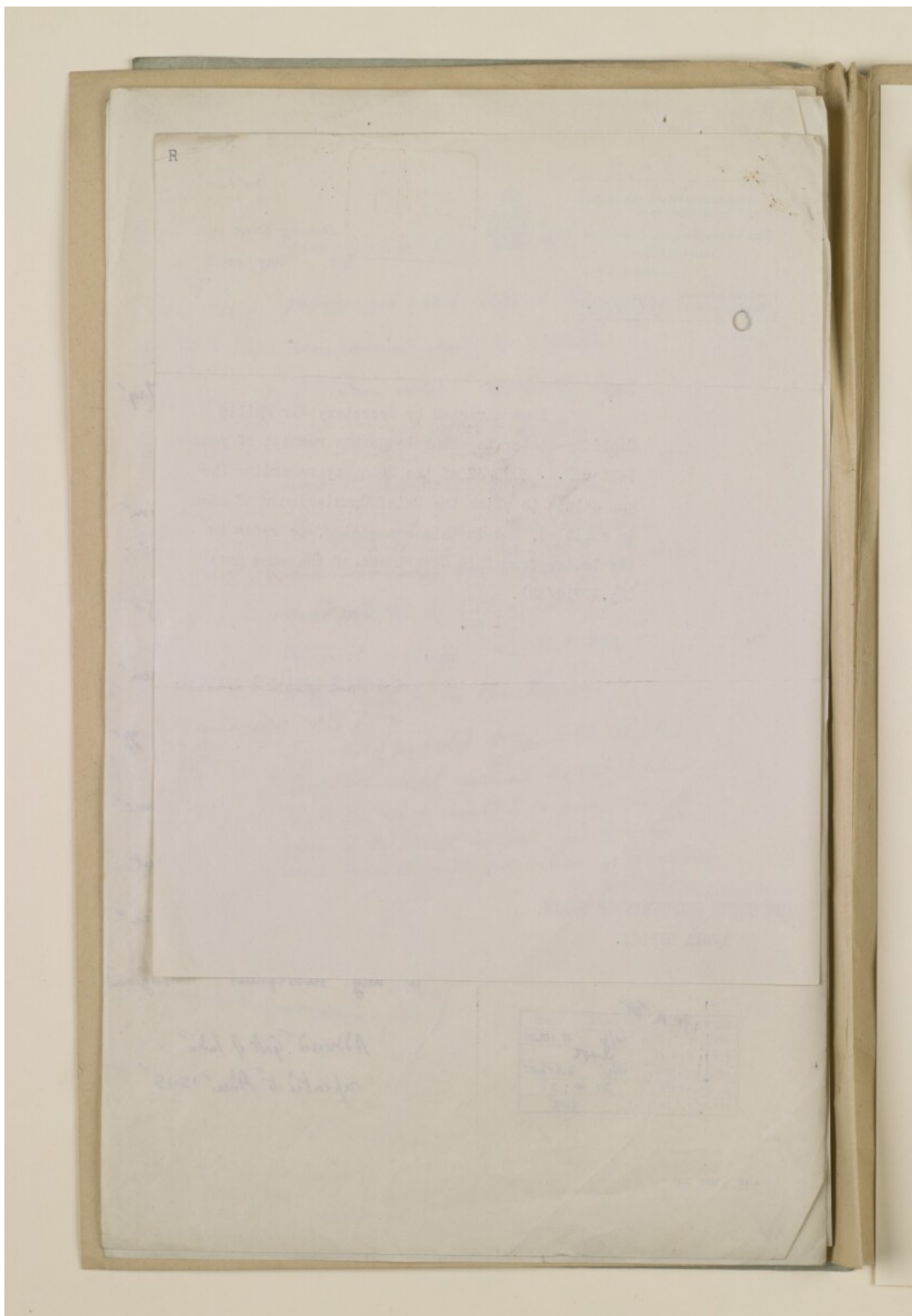
Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

R.V. Vema



THE UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE,
INDIA OFFICE.





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P.Z.
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INDIA DIRECT (63)
(1 enc. only)
Capt. India
Downing Street, W.C.
28 May, 1932.

2993

Sir,

I am directed by Secretary Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister to transmit to you to be laid before Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare a copy of a despatch from the Resident at Aden enclosing a copy of a letter addressed to the Government of India in the Foreign and Political Department regarding the salute of the Resident.

2. The question of the salute to be accorded to the Resident at Aden by British or foreign war vessels seems clearly to be a political matter which should be decided by His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and not by the Government of India.

3. In accordance with the Table of Salutes in Article 66 of the King's Regulations and Admiralty Instructions (1926 Edition), and with Paragraph 920(b)(X) of the King's Regulations for the Army (1928 Edition)

THE UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE,
INDIA OFFICE.

Lieutenant

No S.C. of enc.

ENCLOSURE IN WEEKLY LETTER
No. Z22 2 JUN. 1932
FROM SECRETARY, POLITICAL AND
SECRET DEPT. INDIA OFFICE



Lieutenant Governors or Commanders, if administering the government of a Colony Protectorate or Dependency, and if holding a Royal Commission or if acting for an officer so commissioned, are entitled to a salute of 15 guns. The status of the Resident at Aden is, in Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister's opinion, at least equal to that of the officers referred to, and the Resident is moreover the Commander-in-Chief at Aden.

4. In these circumstances a salute of 15 guns would seem proper in the case of the Resident; and, provided Sir Samuel Hoare sees no objection, Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister proposes to take the necessary steps with a view to such a salute being accorded.

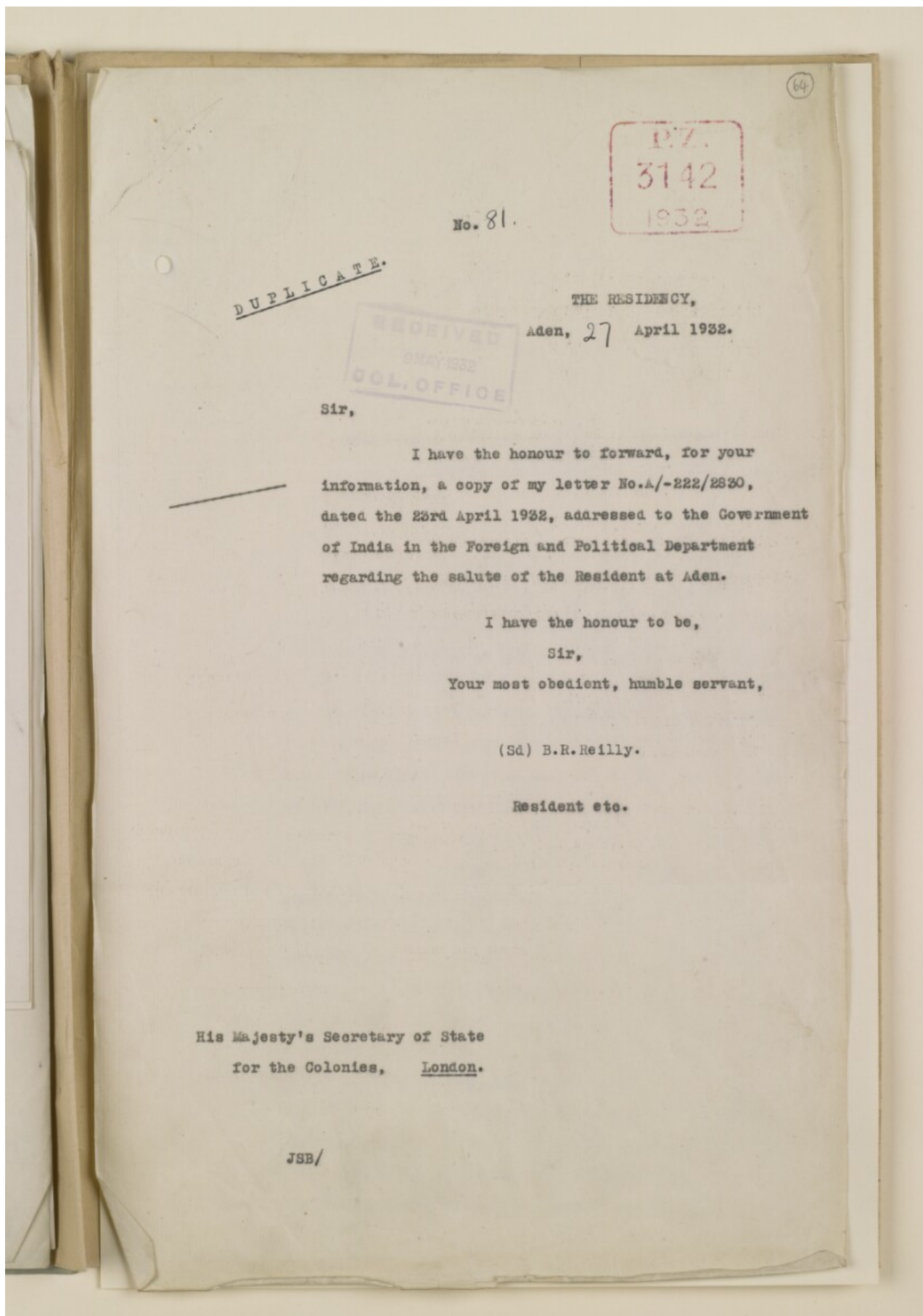
I am,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

B. J. Jeffries





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THE RESIDENCY,
Aden, 27 April 1932.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward, for your information, a copy of my letter No.A/-222/2330, dated the 23rd April 1932, addressed to the Government of India in the Foreign and Political Department regarding the salute of the Resident at Aden.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

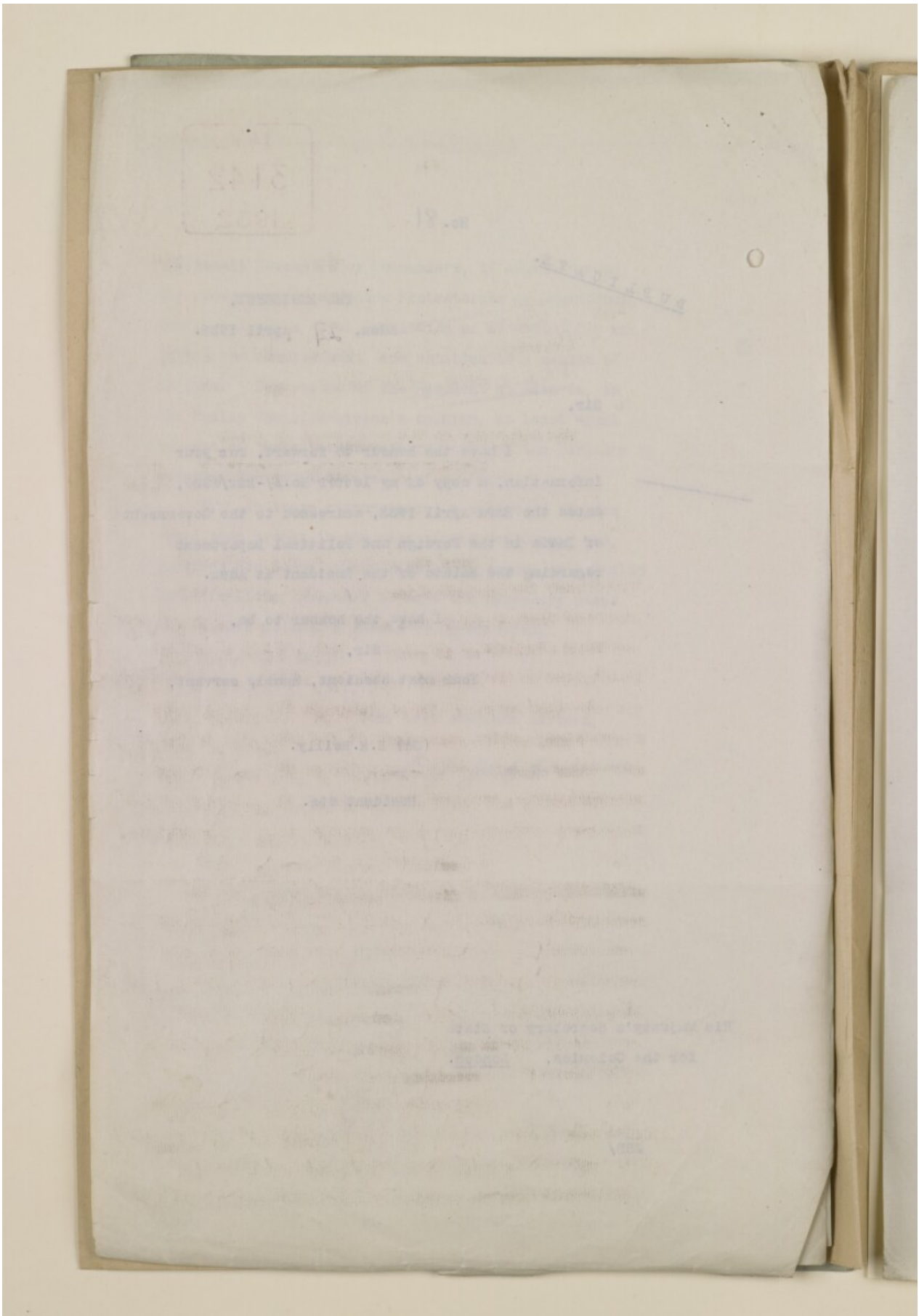
Your most obedient, humble servant,

(Sd) B.R.Reilly.

Resident etc.

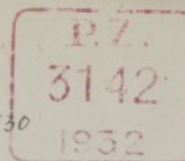
His Majesty's Secretary of State
for the Colonies, London.

JSB/





No. A/222/2830



THE RESIDENCY,
Aden, 23rd April 1932.

FROM

Lieutenant-Colonel B.M. Neilly, C.I.M., O.B.E.,
Chief Commissioner, Aden.

TO

The Secretary to the Government of India,
Foreign and Political Department, Simla.

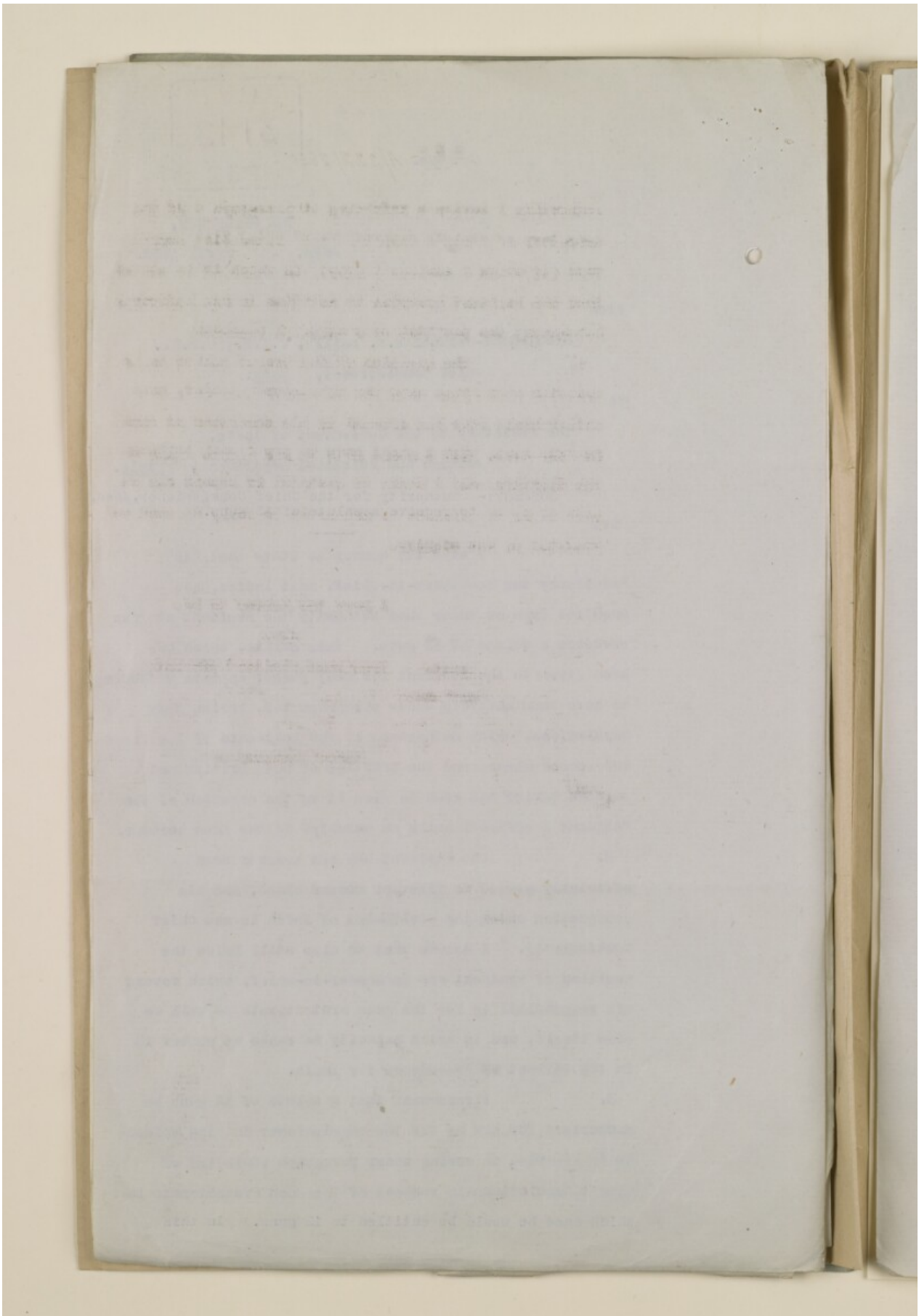
SUBJECT:- Authority for the Chief Commissioner, Aden,
to receive a salute of 13 guns.

Sir,

I have the honour to state that His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, East Indies, has enquired from me under what authority the Resident at Aden receives a salute of 13 guns. This salute, which has been given to the Resident for many years, appears hitherto to have been accorded under paragraph 749, Indian Army Regulations, which authorises it for Residents of the first and second class, and the practice of both British and Foreign Navies has been to fire it on the occasion of the Resident's official calls on warships in the Aden harbour.

2. The Resident has not however been officially graded as first or second class, and his designation under the Government of India is now Chief Commissioner. I assume that he also still holds the position of Resident and Commander-in-Chief, which covers his responsibility for the Aden Protectorate as well as Aden itself, and in which capacity he ranks at number 13 in the Warrant of Precedence for India.

3. I recommend that a salute of 13 guns be authorised for him as for the Commissioner in Sind unless he is regarded as coming under paragraph 920(b)(x) of King's Regulations in respect of the Aden Protectorate in which case he would be entitled to 15 guns. In this





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connection I invite a reference to paragraph 3 of the Secretary of State's despatch No. 67 dated 31st August 1928 (of which I enclose a copy), in which it is stated that the Resident occupies in relation to His Majesty's Government the position of a Colonial Governor.

4. The question of the proper salute to be accorded will arise when the Commander-in-Chief, East Indies, hands over his command to his successor at Aden in June next, when I shall have to pay formal calls on the flagship, and I shall be grateful if orders can be sent to me by telegram to enable me to reply as soon as possible to his enquiry.

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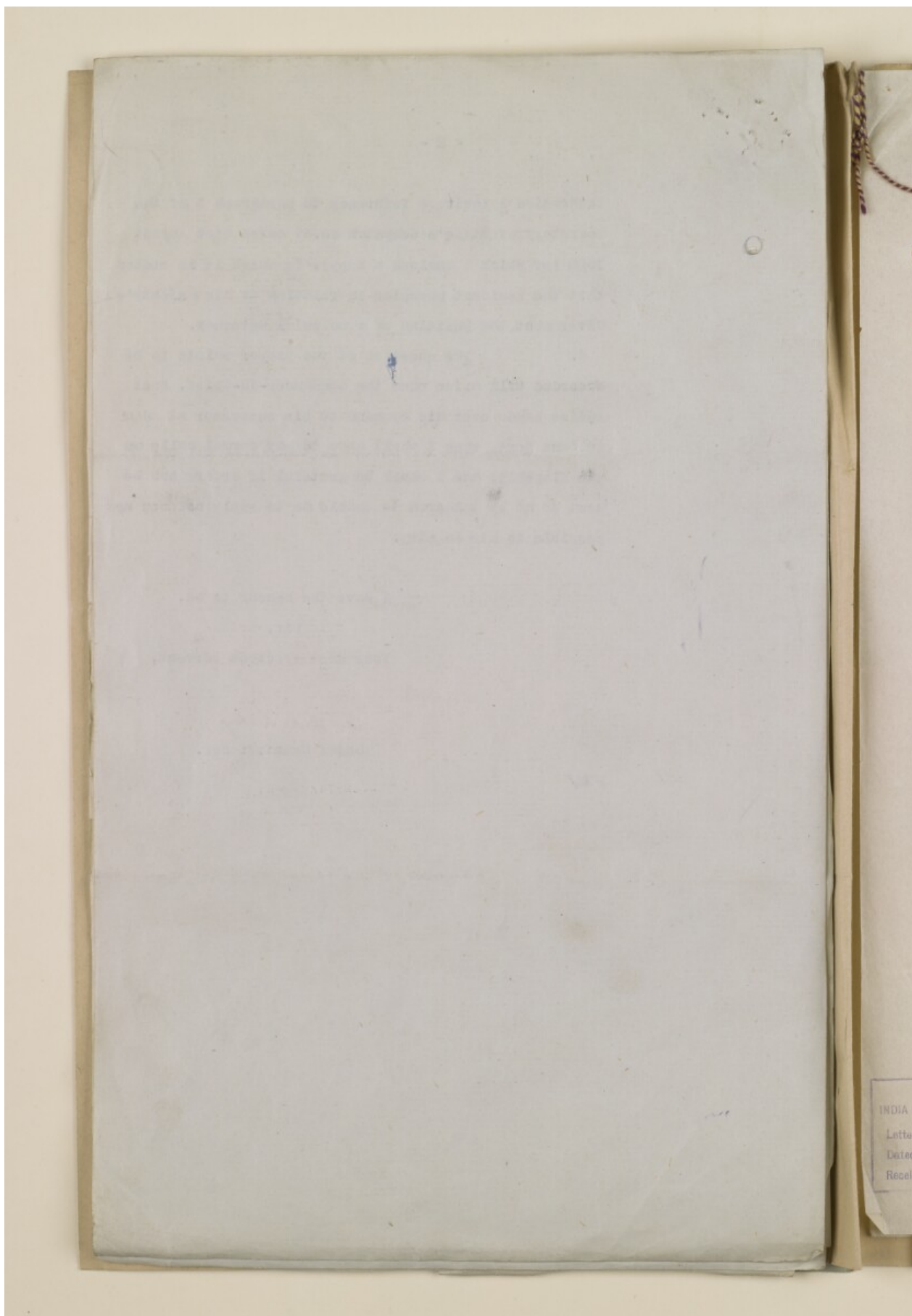
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Your most obedient servant,

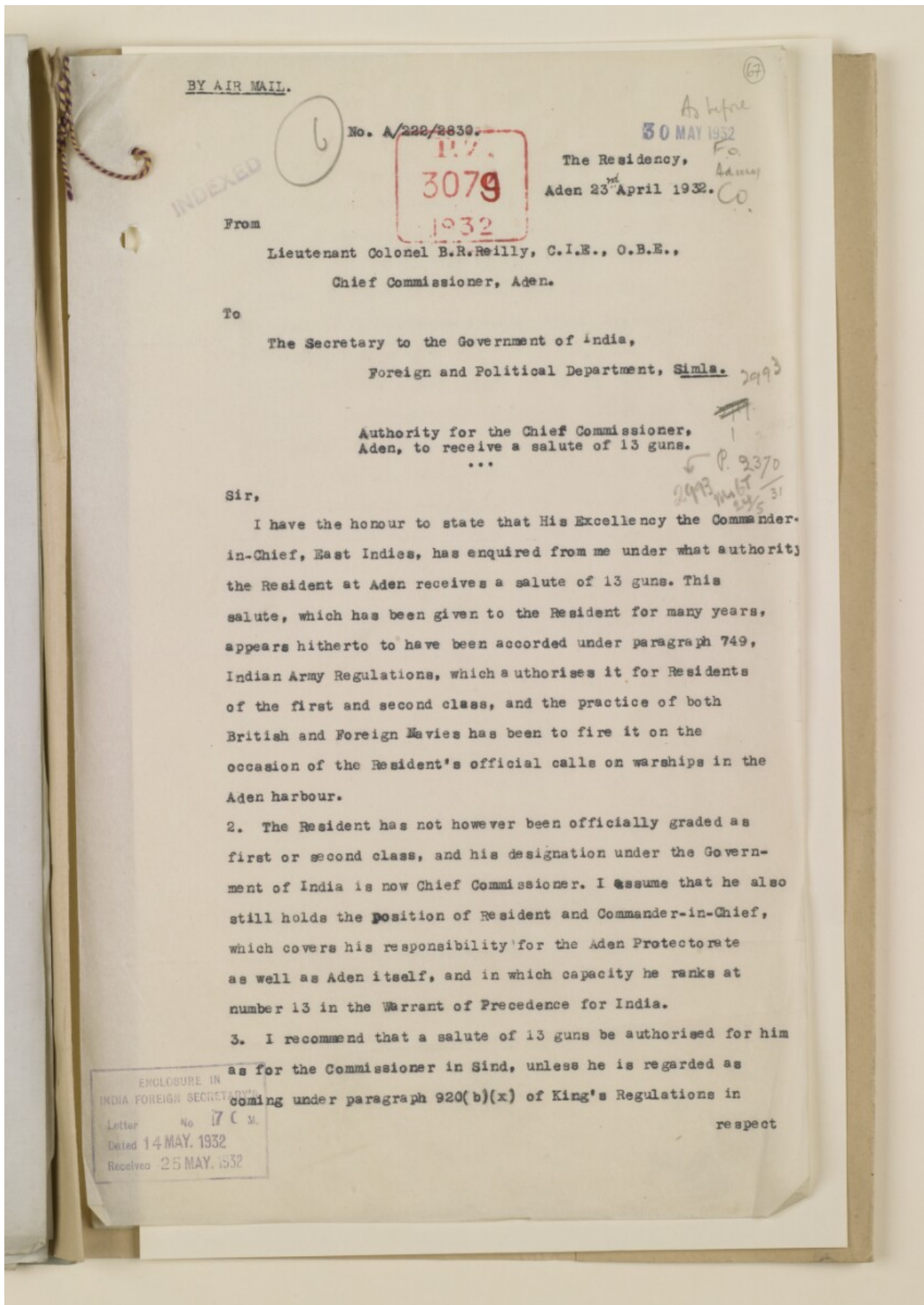
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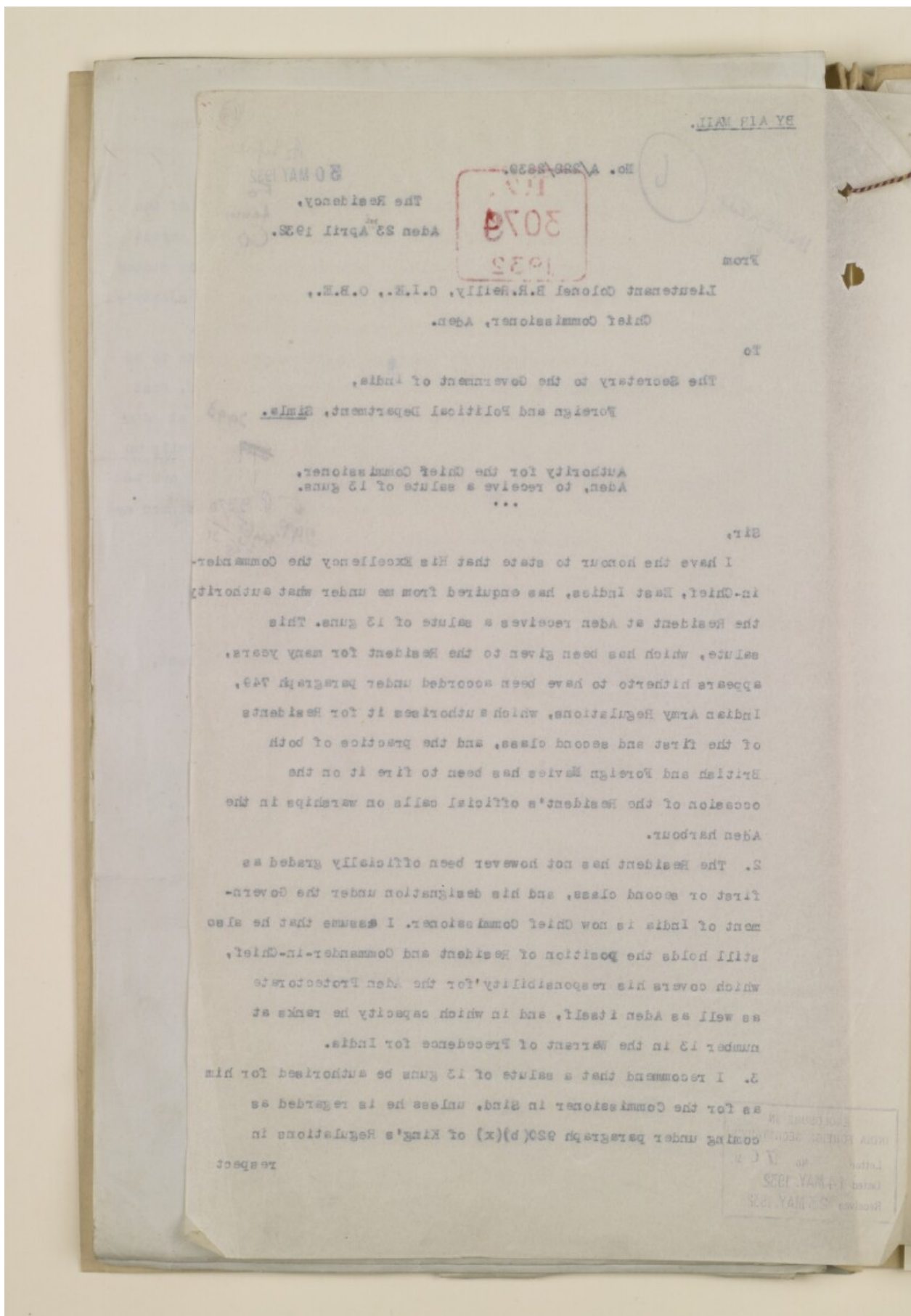
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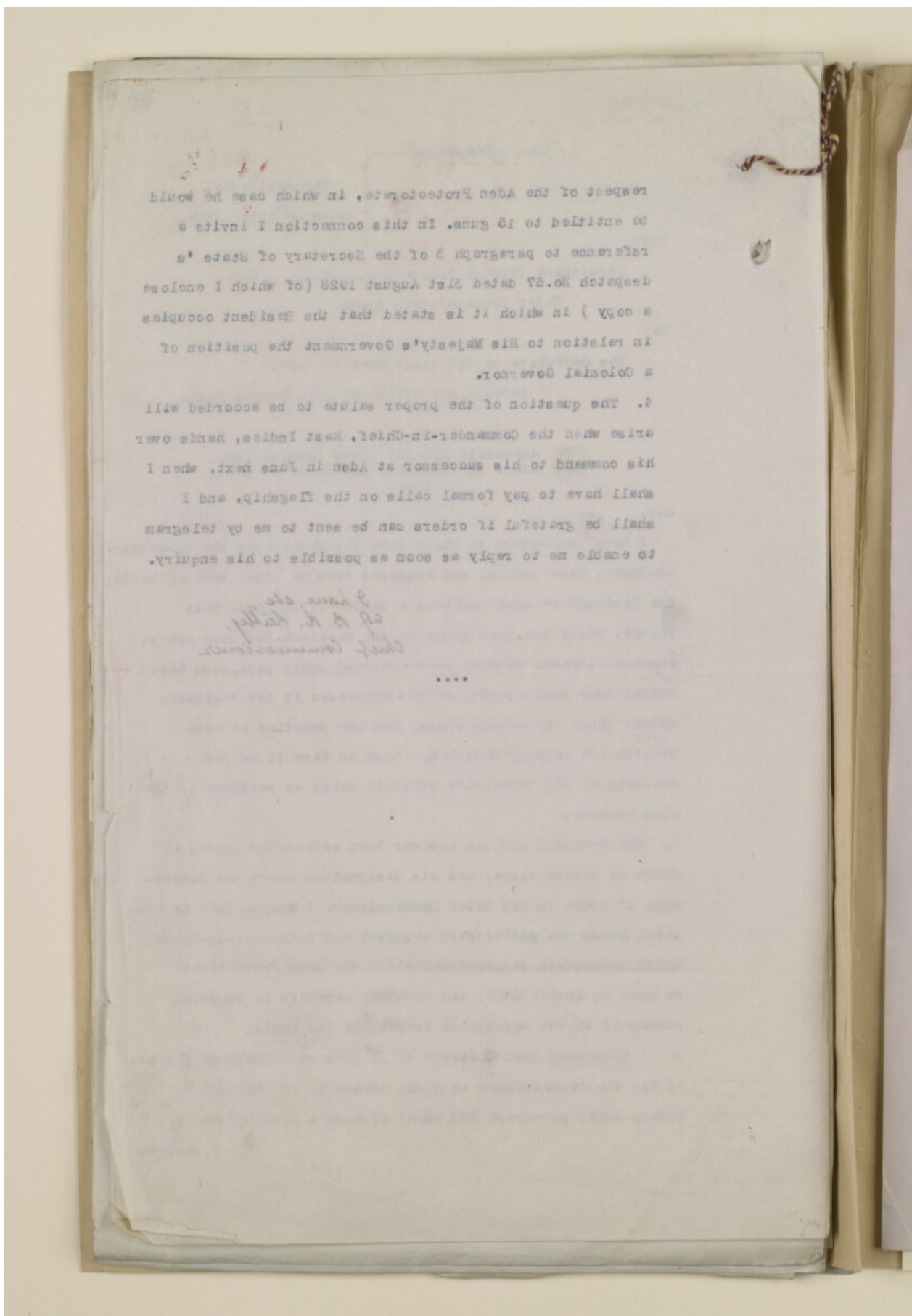
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*I have, etc.,
Sd/- B. R. Keilly,
Chief Commissioner*

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	Date.	Initials.	SUBJECT.
To			
Chairman.....			<i>Aden</i>
Under Secretary			<i>Gun salute for the</i>
Secretary of State...			<i>Chief Commissioner</i>
Committee.....			<i>G.O.M. propose 13 Guns.</i>
Under Secretary.....			
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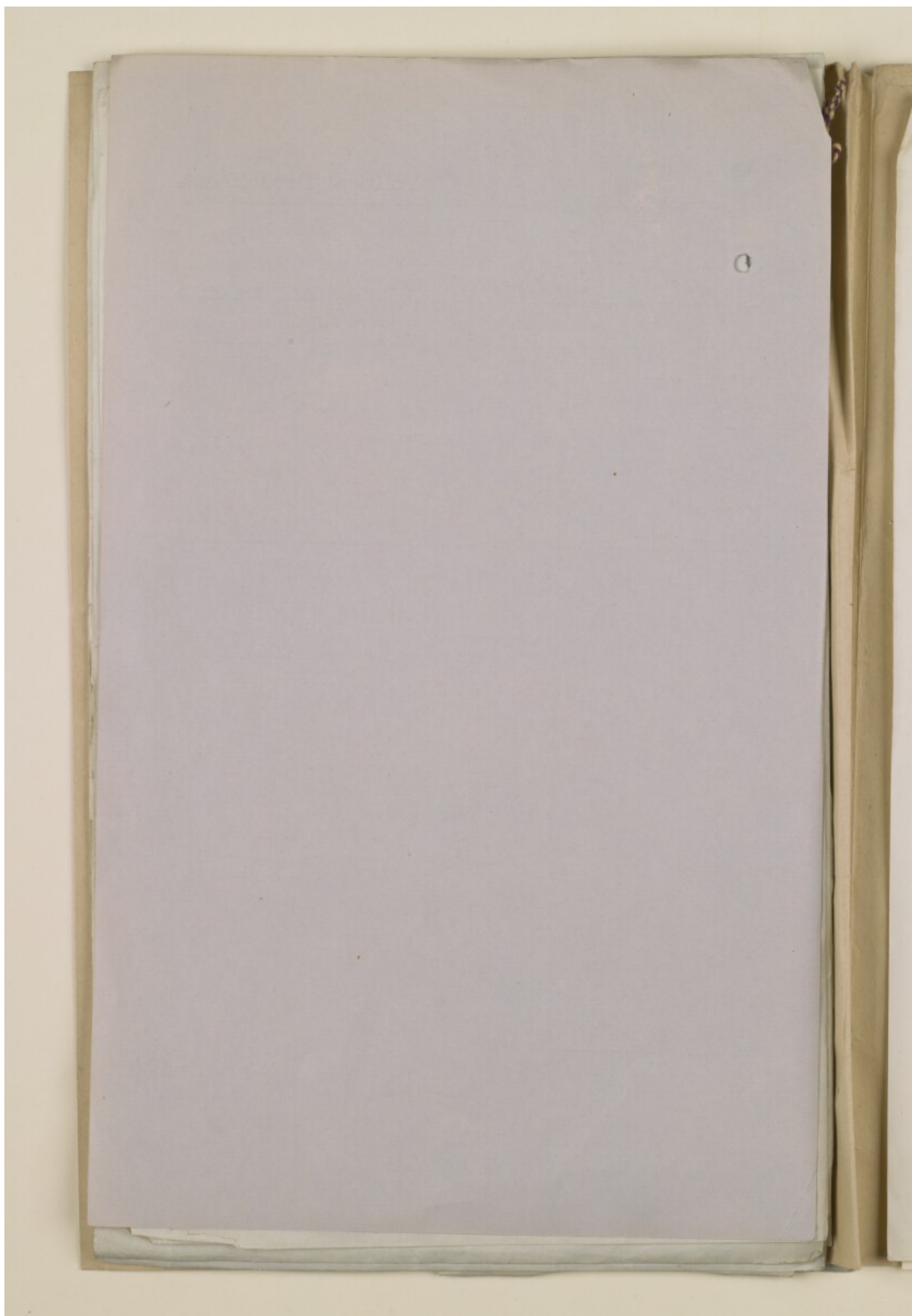
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Draft letter to C.O. & Admiralty
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Minute Paper.

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Pol. Department.

The Chief Commissioner of Aden, being at the same time Administrator of a part of British India and Administrator of a British Protectorate outside India, is in an unique position, and the gun salute to which he is entitled has apparently never been defined, though in practice he receives 13 guns. The C-in-C, East India station has now asked the authority under which he receives 13 guns and it is desirable that the matter should be cleared up before the Chief Comm^r. pays a formal call on the Flagship early in June.

Though the Chief Comm^r's post is not classed as a 2nd Class Residency, his position vis-à-vis the G/I is that of a Resident, 2nd Class, and as Chief Comm^r. or Resident he would in India be entitled to 13 guns in the ordinary course of things (vide Table of Salutes in India, Art. 52 of K.R. & A.I. - also p. 235 of I.O. List)

On the other hand, if regarded as the Administrator of a Protectorate, the Chief Comm^r. would be entitled to 15 guns (under King's Regs. Art. 920(b)(x) or under Art. 66^(b) of K.R. & A.I.)

The Chief Comm^r. himself recommends 13 guns and the G/I support his recommendation. This is clearly correct. It would be anomalous to give the Chief Comm^r. 15 guns, when 1st Class Residents in India (as well as ~~Chief Comm^r.s~~ ~~in India~~ ~~and~~ ~~2nd Class Residents~~) are only entitled to 13.



The status of the Chief Comm^r for the purpose of interchange of visits with naval officers is no doubt regarded as regulated by his place in the Warrant of Precedence in India, where he is included in Art. 13 and ranked (within his own charge) as Senior to all naval officers except the ^{Chief C.} ~~officer~~, East Indies. This is clearly the position in the Aden Settlement, but in the Protectorate the position is obscure, since strictly speaking the territorial waters of the Protectorate would seem to be excluded from the new definition of Indian Waters (P.Z. 6825/31 in attached file - para 1 of Adm^y letter). In respect of the Protectorate the Chief Comm^r would strictly speaking be in the same position ^{for interchange of visits} as the Pl. Resident ~~in~~ the Persian Gulf (who is also included in Art. 13 of the Warrant) when the Persian Gulf was excluded from Indian Waters by the new definition. In the case of the Pl. Resident it is proposed to regularise the status quo ante (i.e. before the new definition of Indian Waters) by ~~making~~ making a special amendment in K.R. & A.I. In the case of the Chief Comm^r the point is of no practical importance at all and not worth taking up.

Military Secretary

For concurrence in the draft letter to the CO. & Adm^y supporting S/I's recommendation to authorise ^{a salute} 13 guns for the Chief Comm^r.

S.E. Crombie
26/5/32

It would be possible to reply at once that the Viceroy has power (vide para 60 of K.R. & A.I.) to authorise salutes for officers not included in the Table of Salutes in India and if there is likely to be any delay that is the course I would suggest. Perhaps however, we should ask the concurrence of CO. & Adm^y, but I would mention the Viceroy's discretionary power in the draft which I have altered accordingly.

S. P. M. S. 26/5/32

Secy Pol. Dept

I see no objection to the draft letter.
J.A. Simpson
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U. S. S., C. O.
The Sec. to the Adm.

28 MAY 1932

Sir,

With reference to the S/I's telegram, No. 639-H of 20th May 1932, a copy of which was forwarded with I.O. printed letter No. P.Z. 2973/32 dated 23rd May regarding the gun salute to which the ~~Resident~~ Chief Commissioner of Aden is entitled, I am directed by the S/S for I. to say that, subject to the concurrence of the ^{S/S for the C.} L.C. of the A. Sec. Sir Samuel Hoare proposes to approve the recommendation of the S/I ^{that} ~~to authorize~~ a salute of 13 guns ~~for the~~ ^(should be accorded to) Chief Commissioner of Aden.

2. I am to request the favour of an ^{very} early reply.

3. A similar letter is being addressed to the ^{Adm. etc.} C.O. and a copy is being sent to the F.O.

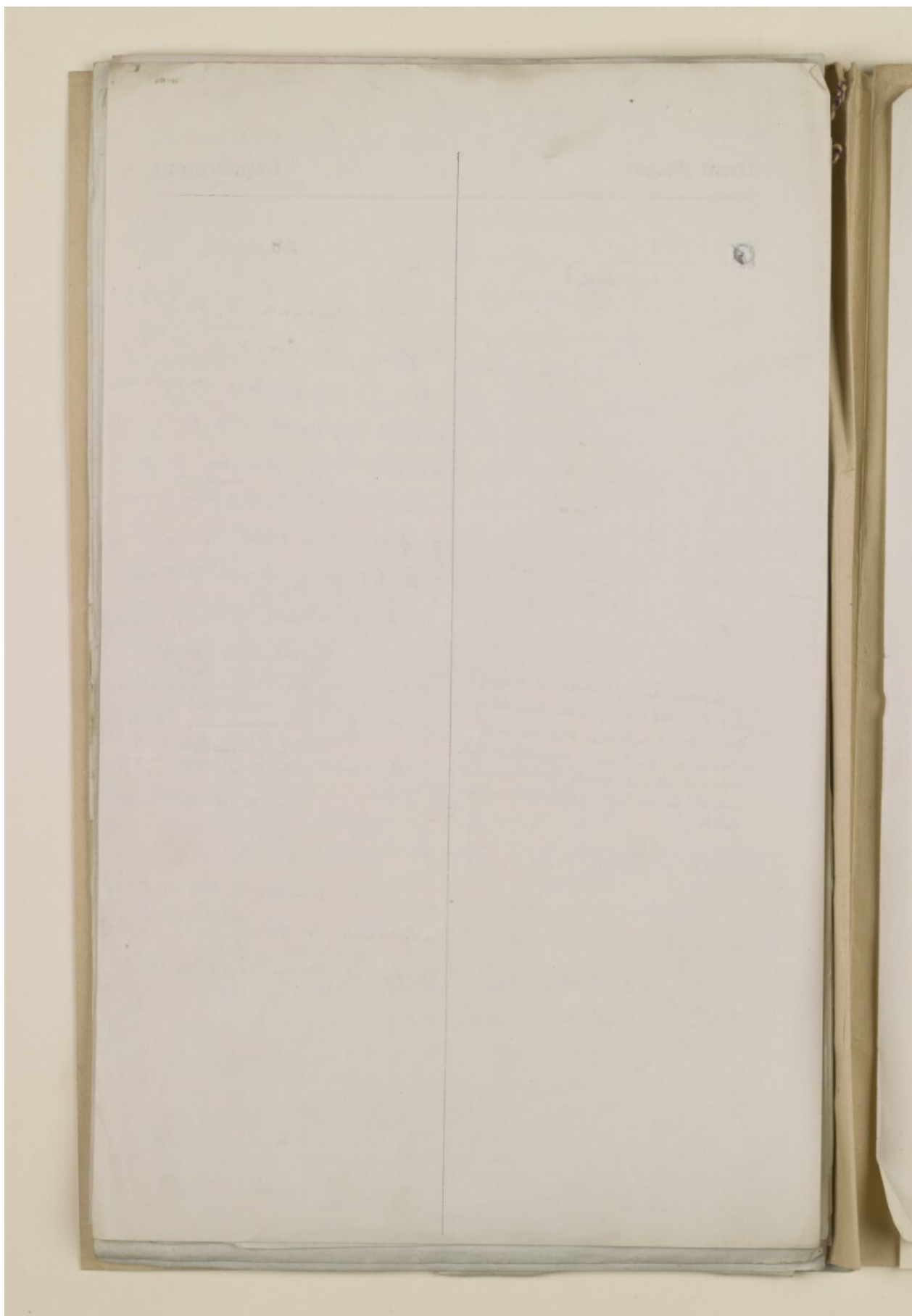
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From Government of India, Foreign
(COPIES and Political Department, to
CIRCULATED) Secretary of State for India.

Dated Simla, 20th May, 1932.

Received 6.30 p.m., 20th May, 1932.

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Chief Commissioner, Aden, reports (copy by air mail) that Commander-in-Chief, East Indies Station, has enquired authority under which the Resident at Aden receives salute of 13 guns. No authority appears to exist for the present salute and though the post is not classed as Second Class Residency, Chief Commissioner's position, vis à vis the Government of India generally, resembles that of Resident, Second Class. For assigning place in Warrant of Precedence (see ^{and} my telegram No. 984, 14th May, 1928) his position was regarded as ^{analogous} anomalous to that of Commissioner in Sind. Position now is that Chief Commissioner might be given (i) 13 guns as Chief Commissioner, or (ii) 15 guns as Administrator of Protectorate, vide King's Regulations 920 (b) (x). Chief Commissioner himself recommends 13 guns which he has hitherto enjoyed in practice for many years, and we support his recommendation. We shall be grateful if you will communicate decision by telegram as the question of salute will arise when the Chief Commissioner pays formal call on Flagship early in June.

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